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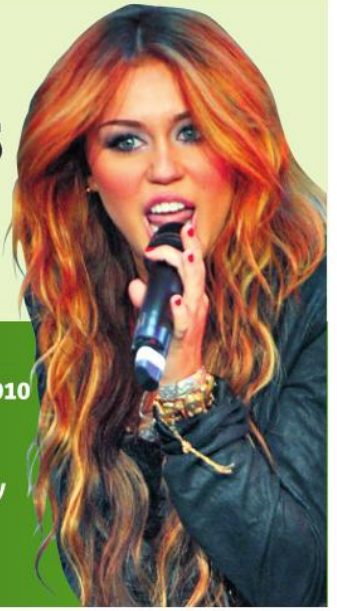

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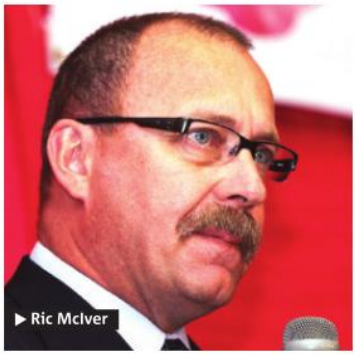
Only 3 invited to 'Final Debate'

Calgary Politics looking for a media outlet to broadcast debate ◗ Forum would take place between Oct. 12 and 15 ◗ Debate would last one hour


▶ Ric McIver

▶ Barb Higgins

▶ Naheed Nenshi

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Members of a local civic blogging site have issued a challenge to the perceived top three mayoral candidates in Calgary's upcoming election.

Calgarypolitics.com has posted an event on Facebook called "The Final Debate" requesting that Barb Higgins, Naheed Nenshi and Ric McIver debate during a live broadcast.

"We've had a very full field in the race for mayor," said Joey Oberhoffner of Calgary Politics, "but the reality is, only three people actually have a statistical chance of being the next mayor of Calgary."

Debating online?

- Calgary Politics has said "local television, radio or even Skype" would suffice for the debate.
- Oberhoffner said the hopes are to reach a wider audience with a televised event.
- Barb Higgins and Ric McIver are reported to have recently declined to participate in a three-way, two-hour livestream debate hosted by the Calgary Sun.

Oberhoffner said Calgarians deserve to see these candidates debate so they can get a clear understanding of what they represent.

"Certainly you can't get much more transparent and accountable than sitting in front of a TV camera live and debating your opponents about your vision for the city," he said. "I would certainly hope that all three would be willing to come to the table."

McIver's campaign manager said they "would be willing to consider a televised debate," while Nenshi's manager said he would participate "anywhere, anytime."

A call to Higgins' campaign manager was not returned.

We want to know if you think it's fair to have only the three front runners in a televised debate. Let us know on Twitter @metrocalgary or e-mail us at calgaryletters@metronews.ca

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Flames looking to light up the twine

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City plows to dig out residential streets

In 2009, Calgary had 171 cm of snowfall, more than annual average of 159 cm City has 92 sanding trucks and 27 street sweepers

Residential streets are now on the to-do list after large snowfalls, as the city laid out its snow-clearing strategy yesterday.

Dean Bell, city manager of roads maintenance, said streets with more than 12 centimetres of snow will be cleared by city crews, while anything less than that leaves the responsibility up to the resident.

"It adds a huge amount to the workload, but the fact is the interim policy came into effect because of the series of storms that we had last December," he said.

The city's interim policy allows the roads department to add on $10 million to its $23-million budget if necessary, specifically for clearing residential areas.

"We want to serve all Calgarians and not abandon the residentials," said Bell.

Thus far they have used $1.2 million, leaving $8.8 million for the remainder of 2010, explained Bell.

"I think that (Calgarians are) going to get every penny's worth of what they're putting into the program," said Bell.

The city will have snow-removal staff 24-7 beginning Sunday.

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Tools of trade

- The city uses three different materials to help with winter driving: Salt, pickle (a mix of salt and sand chips) and calcium chloride, applied before snowfall.

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▶ Roads maintenance manager Dean Bell says a new strategy is ready for deployment on Calgary streets when the snow flies.

Metro Calgary's on the rise

With fall in full swing and temperatures cooling down, Metro Calgary continues to heat up and gain momentum as the fastest growing newspaper in Calgary — and in Canada.

Metro Calgary now reaches 81,100 daily and 197,300 weekly readers throughout the greater Calgary area, according to 2009-2010 information released by NADbank yesterday.

In comparison to NADbank 2008-09, Metro Calgary saw a 39 per cent increase in daily readership — or 22,700 readers — and a 34 per cent increase (33,500) in weekly readers.

"The growth we have seen in Alberta over the past three years has been nothing short of extraordinary, but the latest reporting period has given us reason to celebrate," said Metro Alberta publisher Steve Shrout.

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81,100 The number of daily Metro Calgary readers, according to Wednesday's NADbank results, marking a 39 per cent increase over 2008-2009.

News in brief

Elderly biker killed by truck

COLLISION. Police say an elderly male riding a bicycle eastbound along the westbound shoulder of 16 Avenue NW was struck head-on and killed by a truck after veering out into the westbound lane around 10:30 a.m.

The driver of the truck was not injured in the incident.

iPhone app for voters

ELECTION. In an effort to make municipal election information available to as wide an audience as possible, the City of Calgary has launched an iPhone app.

"The motivation was to ensure all segments of the population had access to their specific voting information," said Barb Clifford, chief returning officer.

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▶ Mayoral candidate Jon Lord in the hot-seat with Mike McCourt.

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EXCERPTS FROM JON LORD INTERVIEW

"I AM DOING VERY WELL"

Mike McCourt: There's a poll out there I'm sure you've read it. I'd appreciate a candid response Mr. Lord because it shows three candidates as potential victors in this race and you are not one of them. So why are you banging your head against the wall?
Jon Lord: Well I started this for a number of reasons. Because I'm bringing attention to issues and I firmly believe that this is winnable. I don't believe that the polls that are done across the general population actually reflect the people who are going to be voting on Election Day.

MM: So what are your own polls saying?
JL: My polls say that amongst the people we believe are going to vote that I am doing very well.

Look for BT Calgary's coffee with candidate Wayne Stewart tomorrow at 7 a.m.

MM: Your political experience, which you describe as the best political experience, also includes getting waxed by Dave Taylor in 2004.
JL: I did. Seventeen of us.

MM: You did. So I asked Craig Burrows this question the other day and I would ask it of you. There is that tag hanging around your neck that says "Loser."
JL: Well I'm not sure about that.

MM: Skillfully avoiding the question, which was, you've got that loser tag on you and is it not a bit of a liability Mr. Lord?
JL: I actually haven't heard anything from anyone on that particular front. Yes I did lose an election but it was a very close election, and 17 of us lost during that election.

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Ward 9, meet your candidates

Metro spoke to the candidates running in Ward 9 to find out who they are, what they do, where they stand and why they feel they deserve your vote. Candidate Mike Pal did not respond to Metro's questionnaire.

Adam Vase

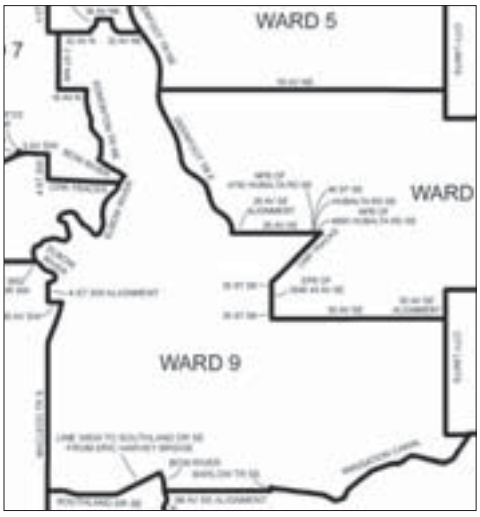
Currently fixed operations with an automotive group, previously with the Canadian Army (PPCLI).
Age: 29
No. 1 issue: Accountability to the citizens of Calgary.
Why run? "I feel that I am a regular average person, I work a full time job to pay the bills at home, I have a family who I love to spend time with. I feel that I am like the majority of Calgarians, and that I can relate to the problems and concerns."

Gian-Carlo Carra

Urban design professional
No. 1 issue: "A great city is made from great neighbourhoods. City hall's top-down, one-size-fits-all, conflict-based style of governance is a serious problem. We need a system overhaul."
Why run? "I am running because I am committed to a better Calgary and I have the professional skills, the community experience, and the leadership capabilities to be the agent of change our city needs right now."

Henry Hollinger

Security consultant
Age: 54
No. 1 issue: Public Security and safety.



Why run? "To bring fundamental change to city government. To renew peoples' trust in city government."

Jeremy Nixon

Manager of volunteers with the Mustard Seed
Age: 28
No. 1 issue: Accountability and transparency.
Why run? "Part of the reason I work with the Mustard Seed is I'm really passionate about communities. Our vision has always been about not only serving the poor but having Calgarians serve the poor. I really want to ensure that we have a city council that sees their role as walking alongside communities as they discover the potential for their neighbourhoods."

Petra Clemens

Business owner
No. 1 issue: "Finding out what the issues are according to the people who reside in Ward 9."
Why run? "Because it became apparent this year that the city was not working in our best interests. Our neighbourhood found out this year that the cost of maintenance of public property is being charged to property owners directly. This practice is not consistent across the board; some communities do not have to pay, others do. The city will not explain this when we ask. Seniors cannot afford a $2,500 bill for a sidewalk replacement that they do not own and that city crews wrecked. This year is sidewalks, next year the light standards and the year after that something else? Something has gone very wrong with our city administration."

Stan Waciak

Construction builder
Age: 55
No. 1 issue: "Listening to the people, they are talking about number one, traffic, and number two, wasting money."
Political experience: "This is my fourth time running."
Why run? "Same as I do every time, to show people there's a better choice out there, a real choice."

Steve Chapman

Former Calgary police officer, currently COO for Venturion.
Age: 53
No. 1 issue: "Since 2001 I have been a small business and community advocate on issues such as business taxes, accountability, parking, transit, community safety, policing and development."
Political experience: Lost race for alderman in 2004 by only 146 votes. Only 164 votes determined the winner in 2007.
Why run? "We need real value for money. My business experience and success has been based on customer service and value. We need to start using the right tool for the job. Often we can get the job done for less money by deploying different assets."

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City cops looking for three suspects

Calgary police are asking for the public's help in locating three men wanted on warrants.

Police are after Michael George Delday, 21, 6'1", 180 lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes.

They are also looking for John Vernon Short, who is 48, 5'8" 190 lbs. with brown, hair and brown eyes.

Bradley Dale Lebsack, age 39, 5'9" and 170 lbs., with brown hair and brown eyes, is being sought, as is Gordon Robert Ridgeway, 40, 5'8", 160 lbs. with hazel eyes and brown hair.

Anyone with information is asked to call 403-266-1234. METRO CALGARY

Missing man found safe: Police

A man reported missing last Friday has been found safe and well, according to police. Timur Gairatovich Nurbaev, 33, was last seen leaving his residence at 7:30 a.m. Friday, and was reported missing when he did not return.

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'Canvasser' wanted for robbery

Police are looking for a man posing as a door-to-door canvasser, who robbed the occupants of a home in the 300 block of Georgian Villas NE at gunpoint.

The man is described as 40 to 50 years old, 5'7", 160 lbs., with a long , graying goatee. Anyone with information is asked to call 403-266-1234.

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'We can really change the course of a life'

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▶ Police Chief Rick Hanson spoke yesterday about the importance of community partnerships at the Alex's 2010 annual general meeting.

The Alex has been providing health care to at-risk, low income Calgarians for nearly 40 years

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Four years after seeking help from the Alex, client Chris Bird said his life and the lives of his wife and kids have changed dramatically.

At the organization's annual general meeting yesterday, Bird explained that he was an alcoholic, battling suicidal thoughts.

"I'd lost everything; my home, my wife, my kids," said the father of five. "Our support, our health, our well-being began there [with the Alex]." Bird said he and his family continue to use their services, from health care to counseling.

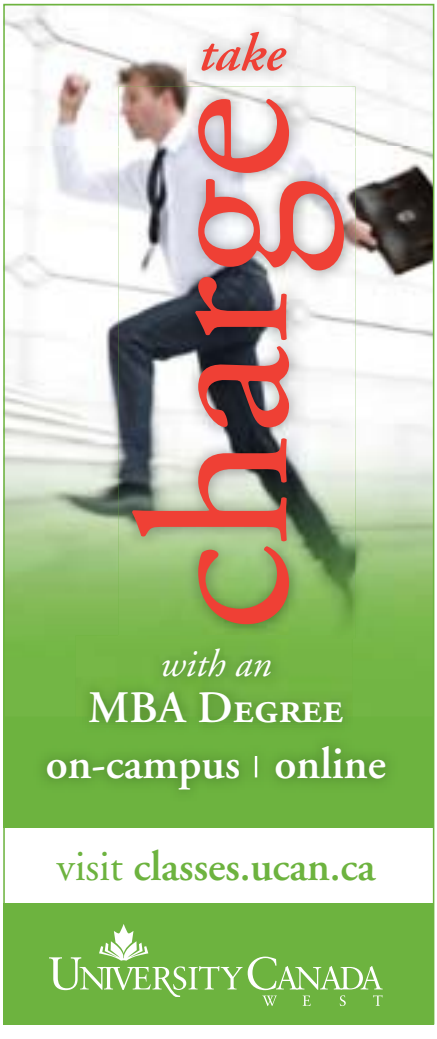
Shelley Heartwell, the program's executive director, said the Birds' success story was just one of many.

80 The Alex has a community health bus staffed by three physicians and five registered nurses. Over 80 clients use the health bus weekly.

"It's exciting to know that we can really change the course of a life and make a difference," she said.

Police Chief Rick Hanson said it's important to continue to develop community partnerships.

"You can't have systems working in isolation," said Hanson, adding the Calgary Police Service must also do their part in assisting the mentally ill. "The money that's invested in these programs pays off."



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U of C hails Dr. Cannon

CALGARY. The University of Calgary officially installed its eighth president yesterday.

Dr. Elizabeth Cannon took the oath of office from the new lieutenant governor of Alberta, Donald S. Ethell, in a ceremony at the university.

Cannon said her main priority is working with stakeholders and building momentum.

She is the first U of C alumnus to serve as president in the school's 45-year history.

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Man accused of fraud

CALGARY. Provincial regulators have charged a Calgary man who headed a real-estate club with defrauding the public.

It's alleged Robert John Harris, who operated under Harris Agencies, funnelled cash between 2000 and 2010 from the club to pay out investors, instead of investing the money in real estate. It's believed the amount involved reaches $5 million.

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New name on Saddledome?

CALGARY. Though Calgary Flames officials are tight-lipped, crews peeled off the Pengrowth emblem from the Saddledome yesterday as the contract for naming rights are up for renewal.

Rumours are swirling that the "Dome, sweet Dome" could soon bear the Scotiabank moniker.

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Younger to young: Get out and vote

Advance polls open at Mount Royal University and University of Calgary Fifty students attended each

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Students not old enough to vote encourage those who are.

They are the most informed non-voters in the city.

Grade 9 students from Calgary Science School spent yesterday afternoon rallying post-secondary students to vote in Monday's municipal election.

Calgary Science School program lead and teacher Neil Stephenson said the students were excited to meet the candidates last week.

"Now, they want to encourage those over 18 to be informed and exercise their democratic rights," Stephenson said.

Student Madison Wilson, 14, said that even though she and her peers can't vote they are still very engaged with the candidates and the issues.

"We have been following the issues and the candidates closely. We think Naheed Nenshi has the best ideas, and if we could vote that's who we'd pick," she said.

"But we just want to educate people on what we learned and encourage them to vote because we can't."

Mount Royal University student Craig Quinn said he was appreciative of the information pamphlets the students were handing out.

"It saves me some time on having to learn who to vote for," he added.

Civics lesson

- 8,500 Youth Can Vote participants will cast their votes
- Results (unofficial) will be made public on Youth Can Vote web site
- Calgary Science School held successful mayor forum last week
- Grade 9 students have been working on the project for a whole term
- More information can be found at youthcanvote.com

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No shortage of candidates in Ward 4 race

- One of 11 candidates wasn't present for forum
- Incumbent Bob Hawkesworth is seeking mayoralty

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▶ 150 people showed up for last night's forum.

Choices abound for Ward 4 constituents trying to choose a new alderman.

To be exact, they have 11.

Depending on who you talk to, it's not necessarily a good thing, according to several attendees at last night's Civic Camp forum.

Northwest resident Betty Larson said she is not impressed with the number of candidates running for alderman.

"I think it's way too many, way too confusing. How can we really make the best decision?" she wondered.

But long-time Edgemont citizen Ron Linder said that while the number of candidates is high he believes they are all quality options.

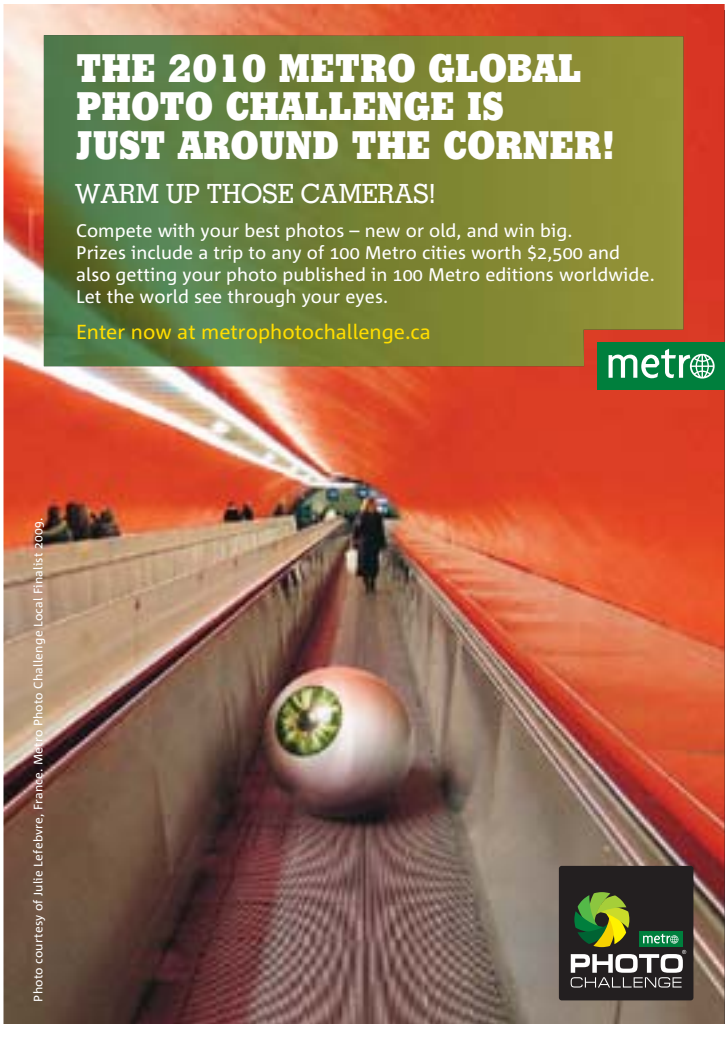
"I think it's a tough decision because they all bring something good to the table and it's going to be hard to decide who would be the best. It's extremely challenging," Linder said.

Political blogger and Civic Camp moderator Jeremy Zhao said residents have a challenge.

"There's a possibility some people might just check the first name they see on the ballot because there are so many," he said.

But despite the number of candidates, most agreed traffic and snow removal were hot-button topics in the area.

The next forum is for Ward 3, tonight at 7 p.m. at the Harvest Hills Alliance Church.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Pullout will hurt, top NATO officer tells Canada

- It 'couldn't be at a more critical time,' says Bellon
- Military experts fear Afghan insurgents will return

Canada's planned withdrawal of troops from Kandahar next year threatens to undermine progress being made in the volatile Afghan province, a senior NATO officer said yesterday.

The Canadian withdrawal "couldn't be at a more critical time," said Col. Dave Bellon.

Coalition and Afghan forces in Kandahar have in recent months launched a multi-pronged offensive against Taliban insurgents.

Many see the operation, dubbed Hamkari, as the international community's last chance to bring stability to southern Afghanistan.

"If you tell me I'm going to lose a star player, I'm going to say 'Sure, it hurts.'"
COL. DAVE BELLON, COMPARING HIMSELF TO A SPORTS COACH

Bellon, NATO's chief of operations for southern Afghanistan, indicated it will be impossible to replace Canada's more than 1,000 combat troops without diminishing forces elsewhere in the country.

"I'll shoot you straight, it's going to hurt us," Bellon said.

"There is no other country that is going to come in and backfill Canada in Panjwaii, except the United States, and there are no additional forces (in Afghanistan).

"That means we're going to take an already stretched force and stretch it farther."

Military planners fear the insurgents will be able to return to the areas where they've been chased from.

Though Bellon stressed he was speaking for himself and not NATO, it is a poorly kept secret that the organization is actively lobbying Ottawa to rethink its plans to end the combat mission in 2011.

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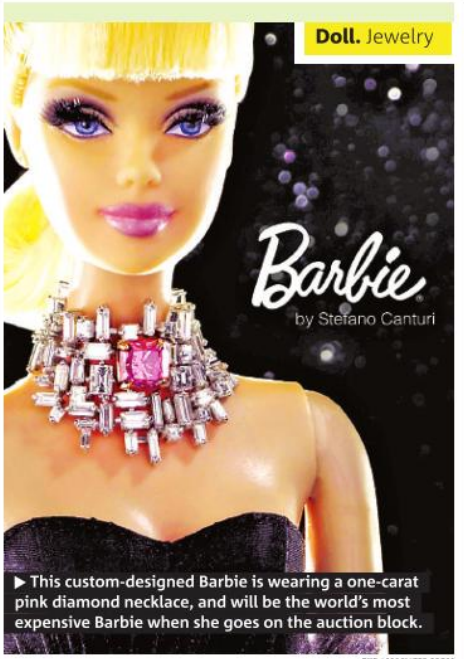

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Barbie gets some bling

Big girls will love this doll. Christie's in New York will sell this Barbie, created by international fine jewelry designer Stefano Canturi, for an estimated $300,000 to $500,000 on Oct. 20. All proceeds will benefit the Breast Cancer Research Foundation in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Orthodox archbishop accused in sex probe

A Canadian Orthodox archbishop is being investigated over allegations of sexual misconduct.

The allegations stem from more than 20 years ago, when he was a priest in Winnipeg.

The Orthodox Church in America says in a news release that Archbishop Seraphim of Ottawa, the head of the church's Canadian archdiocese, asked for and was granted a three-month leave.

The archbishop, 64, had posted a letter on the archdiocese's website last week suggesting the reason for his leave was health issues.

But a subsequent release from the church, posted on its website, stated otherwise.

No criminal charges have been filed in the case. Winnipeg police could not be reached for comment

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▶ Afghanistan-bound NATO vehicles parked at the Pakistani town of Torkham yesterday.

Border markets exploit closure of Afghan route

More than 100 oil tankers lined up along road into Peshawar ◐ Drivers fear insurgent attacks

In a rundown market along the road to Afghanistan, you can buy U.S. army gear stamped with soldiers' names and booklets marked "for official use only."

It's clear much of the stock is stolen from trucks carrying military supplies over the border.

Not only is this merchandise that could aid insurgents, this also illustrates the challenges of securing supply lines into landlocked Afghanistan, a task underscored in recent days by the closure of the main route through Pakistan and subsequent fiery attacks on convoys.

Last week, Pakistan protested the killing of two Pakistani troops by a NATO helicopter by stopping supply convoys from crossing the border at Torkham, along the famed Khyber Pass.

Seven days later, more than 100 oil tankers were lined up along the road into Peshawar, the main city in the northwest.

NATO officials in Afghanistan say the border blockade, militant attacks and looting have no effect on military operations there. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. apologizes

The U.S. apologized yesterday for a recent helicopter attack that killed two Pakistani soldiers near the Afghan border, saying American pilots mistook them for insurgents.

The apology could pave the way for Pakistan to reopen a key border crossing that NATO uses to ship goods into landlocked Afghanistan.

SCHOOL JEWEL

Piercing evokes lawsuit

The American Civil Liberties Union claimed in a lawsuit filed yesterday that a North Carolina school violated the constitutional rights of a 14-year-old student by suspending her for wearing a piercing in her nose,

The lawsuit from the state chapter of the ACLU seeks a court order allowing Ariana Iacono to return immediately to Clayton High School, which has kept her on student suspension for four weeks since classes started.

The complaint hinges on Iacono's claim that her nose piercing isn't just a matter of fashion, but an article of faith.

She and her mother, Nikki, belong to a small religious group called the Church of Body Modification, which sees tattoos, piercings and a variety of other body modifications as channels to the divine.

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Prison for gender pretender

A 31-year-old Ohio woman has admitted to posing as a teenage boy so she could date a teenage girl. Patricia Dye pleaded guilty to misdemeanour sexual impositio and contributing to the deliquency of a minor in court yesterday. A judge in Warren County Juvenile Court in Lebanon, Ohio, sentenced Dye to six months in jail.

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Toxic sludge probe

- Hungary opens criminal investigation into bursting of toxic reservoir
- EU urges country to stop toxic slurry from reaching the Danube River

Hungary opened a criminal probe into the toxic sludge flood yesterday and the European Union urged emergency authorities to do everything they can to keep the contaminated slurry from reaching the Danube and affecting half a dozen other nations.

Hundreds of people had to be evacuated after a gigantic sludge reservoir burst Monday at a metals plant in Ajka, a town 160 km southwest of Budapest, the capital.

Toxic sludge

- The reservoir is more than 300 metres long and 450 metres wide.
- It was no longer leaking yesterday but a triple-tiered protective wall was being built around its damaged area.
- Guards have been posted at the site to give an early warning in case of any new emergency.
- Emergency workers were pouring 1,000 tonnes of plaster into the water to try to bind the sludge and keep it from flowing into the Danube, 72 km away.

At least four people were killed, three are still missing and 120 were injured as the unstoppable torrent inundated homes, swept cars off roads and disgorged an estimated one million cubic metres of toxic waste onto several nearby towns.

It was still not known yesterday why part of the reservoir failed. Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban said authorities were caught off guard by the disaster since the plant and reservoir had been inspected only two weeks earlier and no irregularities had been found.

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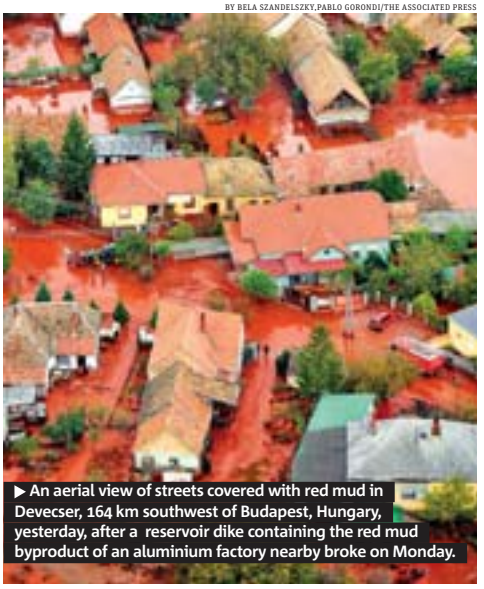

▶ An aerial view of streets covered with red mud in Devecser, 164 km southwest of Budapest, Hungary, yesterday, after a reservoir dike containing the red mud byproduct of an aluminium factory nearby broke on Monday.

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New Gov. Gen. wants 'rapport' with PM's office

David Johnston plans to take 'long view' on political institutions Plans national tour to meet Canadians

Canada's new governor general says he needs to have a degree of compatibility with the prime minister if he is to fulfil his duty of preserving Canada's political institutions.

David Johnston tells The Canadian Press in an interview says he needs to maintain a "rapport" with Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his cabinet.

Johnston says his job is to take the long view, encouraging government to preserve the institutions of parliamentary democracy. He says he is not a referee of political ups and downs, but an apolitical voice that can offer the prime minister his views on how best to maintain Canada's values.

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▶ David Johnston

And when he's not playing hide-and-seek with his grandchildren through the maze of rooms at Rideau Hall or ploughing through history books, he says he also wants to use the office of the governor general to partner with institutions or groups that promote innovation, family and philanthropy.

Johnston and his wife Sharon expect to begin travelling across Canada soon, to introduce themselves to the country first before any travel overseas. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Germany. Page-turner

▶ This book, at the Book Fair in Frankfurt, Germany, has been called the world's biggest by its publisher.

MICHAEL PROBST/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Do they make bookmarks that big?

EARTH, Platinum Edition, put out by an Australian publisher, is six feet by nine feet, has 128 pages and weighs 200 kilograms. It is apparently an attempt to steal the spotlight from e-books which are the focus of the Book Fair in Frankfurt, Germany. The book, which will have a print run of 31 copies, will sell for $100,000 apiece.

Militia leader arrested

UN officials yesterday celebrated the arrest of a Congolese militia commander accused in gang rapes of more than 300 people, an easy and rare catch that happened only when he was handed over by fellow fighters. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Murderous dad gets life in jail

Clarence Butterfield, who tortured and killed his 21-year-old daughter and kept her nude body in a small freezer in his recreational vehicle for two years, was sentenced yesterday to life in prison without parole. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Indy races for cash on the road

Police say three bundles of money fell off the back of an armoured car yesterday near an intersection in downtown Indianapolis.

About 10 people stormed into the intersection to fill their arms with cash. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Economy to strengthen: IMF

Combined, advanced economies such as the United States and Europe are forecast to grow

The global economy will likely strengthen the rest of this year and in 2011 as China and other emerging powers offset weakness in the United States and Europe.

Canada will continue to lead the United States in terms of growth, according to the latest outlook of the International Monetary Fund, but the IMF's estimates for both countries has been lowered since the previous outlook in July.

The IMF predicts the world economy will expand overall by 4.8 per cent this year and 4.2 per cent next year.

That would far surpass last year's 0.6 per cent decline, the worst since the Second World War ended in 1945. The IMF's forecast for worldwide growth this year is 0.2 percentage points more than its previous estimate in July.

The world lending agency estimates Canada's economy will expand by 3.1 per cent this year and 2.7 next, slower than its predictions in the summer.

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The IMF predicts the U.S. economy will grow by only 2.6 per cent this year, below its previous estimate of 3.3 per cent, and by 2.3 per cent next year.

The IMF's forecast, released yesterday, points to lingering weakness in the United States and Europe after the worst recession since the Great Depression.

The agency says the global economy will require a balancing act: Countries with huge trade and budget deficits such as the United States will need to boost exports.

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▶ Trader Robert Gray works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

Crull named Bell's new boss

Bell Canada has named Kevin Crull as the successor to longtime CTVglobemedia head Ivan Fecan as the telecom company begins a push to harness broadcast content from CTV television for use on its Internet and wireless networks.

Crull has been leading Bell Canada's residential services business, which includes its Bell TV, Internet and home phone operations across the country.

He will move into his new job Jan. 1.

Last month, Bell Canada's parent company bought the rest of the CTV television network it doesn't already own for $1.3 billion, hoping to provide video content to millions of subscribers through TV sets, online and mobile devices.

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Costco's net income rises, but stock falls

Increased revenue from selling memberships and strength overseas helped push Costco Wholesale Corp.'s net income up 16 per cent in the fiscal fourth quarter.

Costco's shares fell 57 cents to $64.09 US in morning trading after revenue that came in shy of analysts' forecasts.

The nation's biggest warehouse club operator has seen the number of customers in its clubs grow as shoppers hunt for deals in the weak economy. Costco reported it earned $432 million, or 97 cents per share, for the period ended Aug. 29. That's up from $374 million, or 85 cents per share, a year ago. This beat analysts' estimates of 95 cents per share, according to Thomson Reuters.

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New plant, new methods for Maple Leaf operation

"This plan will enable Maple Leaf Foods to further address what we believe is a structural shift in currency, which has caused a productivity gap for Maple Leaf."
MAPLE LEAF PRESIDENT AND CEO MICHAEL MCCAIN

Maple Leaf Foods is taking on broad operational changes, including plant consolidation and construction of a new prepared-meats factory starting in 2012, to improve its profitability and competitiveness.

The five-year strategic plan calls for the Toronto-based company, one of Canada's largest food producers, to increase spending on "strategic" initiatives — a total of $755 million from this year through 2013.

Initial changes will include pricing adjustments and tweaking of its promotional activities, as well as simplifying manufacturing in both its bakery and meat products divisions, the company said.

Maple Leaf said previously announced plans for its massive new bakery in Hamilton will also help the company's growth because it consolidates other facilities starting in the middle of next year.

The plan for a new prepared-meats factory hadn't been previously announced.

Maple Leaf says it hopes the changes will boost its earnings before interest and taxes margins by 75 per cent over the next five years.

Maple Leaf has been undergoing changes for several years as it works to strengthen its position against competitors and move a Listeria-tainted meat recalled linked to its Toronto plant, which left 22 people dead in 2008.

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Alcohol. Lower sales

▶ Displayed are bottles of Constellation Brands Inc. beer products including Negra Modelo, left, Tsingtao, St. Pauli Girl, Corona Extra and Pacifico.

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Booze-maker's stock drops

The maker of Robert Mondavi wine and Svedka vodka said its second-quarter net income fell eight per cent on lower wine, beer and spirits sales. For the three months that ended Aug. 31, Constellation Brands Inc. earned $91.3 million US, or 43 cents per share. In the same period last year, it earned $99.7 million.

Japan. Electronics

▶ Hundreds of visitors wearing 3-D glasses watch a large 3-D prototype TV on display at the CEATEC Japan.

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Next-gen tech a hit in Japan

3-D televisions, e-book readers and a next-generation Smart Grid power transmission networks are among the visitor favourites at CEATEC Japan, Japan's biggest consumer electronics show, in Chiba, near Tokyo. Toshiba is showing off the world's first glasses-free 3-D Regza television, which will hit the market in December.

Bombardier eyes Indian contracts

$1.2B deal would enlarge Bombardier's backlog, which has exceeded $30B

India could be the next lucrative frontier for Bombardier Transportation as the world's largest railway manufacturer is in the running for billions of dollars worth of contracts in the coming months, an industry analyst said yesterday.

Cameron Doerksen of National Bank Financial said large-scale new orders, especially from the world's most populace democracy, could boost stock in the railway division's parent company.

He said the market potential is enormous and perhaps greater than China, because India is more open to foreign competition than China.

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Coming soon

Indian Railway Ministry officials have indicated that multibillion-dollar contracts, including two locomotives contracts, could come as early as December, Doerksen wrote in a report.

Currency war could hurt rebound: Flaherty

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▶ Finance Minister Jim Flaherty.

Jim Flaherty is warning a currency war over exchange rates could disrupt trade and derail the nascent economic recovery.

The Canadian finance minister says G20 representatives will thrash out the issue later this week at meetings in Washington, D.C.

The United States and China have long been at odds over the value of the yuan, which Washington says is being kept artificially undervalued by Beijing.

The long-standing issue was given greater impetus with a new global forecast.

The IMF forecast shows emerging nations are seeing their economies rebounding faster from the recession than the United States, Canada and other advanced economies.

Flaherty says he's been discussing the issue with his U.S. counterpart and agrees with the importance of resolving the issue.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner says countries like China with large trade surpluses must let their currencies rise.

If not, he says, other nations will be forced into artificially devaluating their exchange rates to keep pace.

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34. William Shatner's Rocketman (Elton John version only)
33. Pulled Aside At The Airport Again, Raffi
32. How's About The Boy From Labrador City?, Moose Factory Transfer
31. Sometimes When We Touch (first two seconds only), Dan Hill
30. Tom Cochrane contemplates that all his obituaries will involve mention of an exit ramp (dinner conversation)
29. The Weight, Burton Cummings
28. Ave Maria, Chad Kroeger
27. Smash Your Radio With A Hammer!, Shania Twain
26. Canadian Railroad Trilogy re-release with updated special effects (Lightfoot shoots first), George Lucas
25. The Treehouse Theme Song ("Come with me ...")
24. Teenage John Mazerolle plays the euphonium in his living room (casingle only)
23. Could Have Been A Lady, A Hungover Guy Trying To Remember What Happened
22. The Hampster Dance Song
21. Takin' Care Of Business (as soon as we launch this exploratory committee into the viability of holding hearings into the possibility of changing legislation), The Canadian government
20. Huckleberry Finn, Rush
19. OK! Blue Jays! (Ballad version only)
18. Hasn't Hit Me Yet, any opponent of the Edmonton Oilers
17. I've Always Got Time For You, Tim Horton
16. The Eyes Of A Stranger, The Morgue Robbers
15. Constant Raving, Don Cherry
14. Hope, Love, Faith, Blah, Blah, Blah, Canadian Idol winners
13. Hair!, Justin Bieber
12. (Everything I Do) Kind Of Sucks, Bryan Adams
11. Sunglasses At Night, The Insufferable Hipsters
10. Whatcha Do To My Body, Anne Murray
9. Wondering Where The Lions Are, A Fired Zookeeper
8. Token French Song, Two Solitudes
7. OK, So It's Been A Long Time, Trooper
6. Up On Physically Disabled Creek, The Politically Correct Band
5. Sonny's Dream (losing his teeth, then naked in front of crowd, then trying to run but can't version), Ron Hynes
4. If I Had $667,000, Barenaked Ladies (April 30 concert)
3. If You Could Read My Mind, You'd Know I Wasn't Dead, Gordon Lightfoot
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A vote for fashion

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Ukraine's glamorous former prime minister is slamming a new government dress code as "laughable." Yulia Tymoshenko, known for lacy dresses and stilettos, said yesterday the dress code would prevent the Queen from entering cabinet premises.

"The Queen of England and (Libya's leader Moammar) Gadhafi, for instance, for sure would not have been allowed in the cabinet," Tymoshenko, who is now a top opposition leader, quipped at a news conference yesterday.

The code adopted this week calls on men working at the Cabinet of Ministers to wear mostly grey and dark blue suits and not wear the same suit to work two days in a row. Women are asked to stick to business suits and low-heeled shoes, and refrain from excessive makeup and jewelry.

Tymoshenko's stylish outfits and traditional Ukrainian braid have earned her a reputation as a glamour and fashion icon.

Some observers noted a new dress code was overdue for government offices and other institutions in Ukraine, where women often wear tight, low-cut dresses to work while men are often seen in the same outfit for days in a row. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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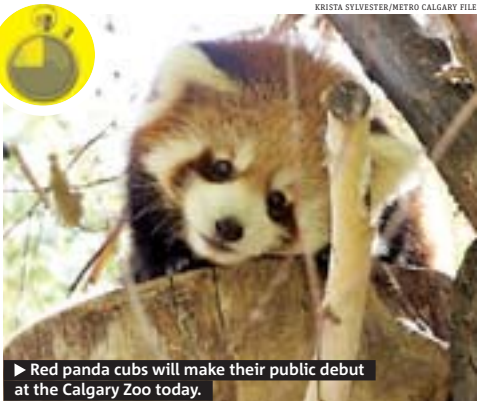

▶ Red panda cubs will make their public debut at the Calgary Zoo today.

If you have an extra minute today why not check out the new cute and cuddly pair of red panda cubs at the Calgary Zoo.

Today at 11 a.m. is the red panda cub's public debut at the zoo since they were born May 30.

The cubs, a male and a female, have been completely raised by their mother Malikha.

Red panda cubs usually remain in the den until they are almost adults, zoo officials say, so today will be a special play date.

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Movies

Emma Stone will play Gwen Stacy in the next Spider-Man movie. Stone will star opposite Andrew Garfield, who plays Spidey and alter-ego Peter Parker.

Director Marc Webb says the chemistry between Stone and Garfield was "stunning."

The new movie will focus on a younger version of the superhero. It will be filmed in 3-D, and is scheduled for release July 3, 2012.

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A visit to Spider-Man Turn Off the Dark reveals a humming production.

Reznor and Fincher team up for Facebook movie Reznor was inspired to create a sinister soundtrack, with undertones of anxiety The Nine Inch Nails frontman has also formed a new band, How to Destroy Angels, and has an HBO series in the works

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▶ Trent Reznor, singer of the band Nine Inch Nails, performs during the Music Openair Festival in St. Gallen, Switzerland, in June 2009.

Trent Reznor scores with The Social Network

Though David Fincher and Trent Reznor were both central figures in the heyday of music videos, their most significant collaboration has come years later — not on MTV but in one of the most acclaimed films of the year.

Reznor — with producer Atticus Ross — provides the dark score to The Social Network, Fincher's film about the rise of Facebook, the social networking behemoth.

Like Jonny Greenwood's score to Paul Thomas Anderson's There Will Be Blood, Reznor's soundtrack adds an ominous, unmistakable layer to The Social Network.

Reznor was pleased, he says, that his score "made it a shade darker."

Before coming together for The Social Network, Reznor and Fincher ran in similar circles.

In the late 1980s and 1990s, Fincher was one of the most sought after music video directors, while Reznor and his industrial one-man band, Nine Inch Nails, often worked with the form's best artists — notably for the video to Closer, directed by Mark Romanek.

Reznor and Fincher had tried many times to do a video project together. "We talked about him scoring a film," Fincher says.

Fincher didn't direct a Nine Inch Nails video until 2005 (Only), though he did use a version of Closer for the opening credits of his 1995 film Se7en. The two also discussed a Broadway adaptation of Fincher's 1999 movie Fight Club, which wasn't realized.

When Fincher approached Reznor last fall with the idea of scoring The Social Network, Reznor — looking for time off after just completing a Nine Inch Nails farewell tour and getting married — turned him down. He was also initially apprehensive.

"Any skepticism was based purely on hearing the sentence, 'It's a movie about Facebook,'" says Reznor, who was rapidly convinced by Aaron Sorkin's script and Fincher's intentions. "Any fear I had that it was trend-hopping or zietgeisty quickly evaporated."

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The score

Fincher wanted the soundtrack to have a synthetic feel, with something organic to represent humanity — the piano.

- **Hand Covers Bruise** is among the most striking of the instrumental songs.
- **In the Hall of the Mountain King** soundtracks a regatta scene, and is a version of the Edvard Grieg track.

De Niro turns to Stone for drama Fockers for laughs

Robert De Niro is retiring.

On screen, at least. In his latest film, the psychological drama Stone, De Niro stars as a veteran parole officer ending his career in a showdown with a inmate (Edward Norton) and seduction by the prisoner's wife (Milla Jovovich).

At 67, De Niro himself has no retirement plans, though he does foresee an end to one facet of his film career. After two outings as a director, he figures he has time to oversee three more movies, at most.

"They take a lot out of me," he said at Toronto International Film Festival, where Stone debuted. "They're great to do, but just the way I did the two that I did (1993's A Bronx Tale and 2006's The Good Shepherd) and the ones that I would do, I say to myself, maybe I would do five altogether. So three more."

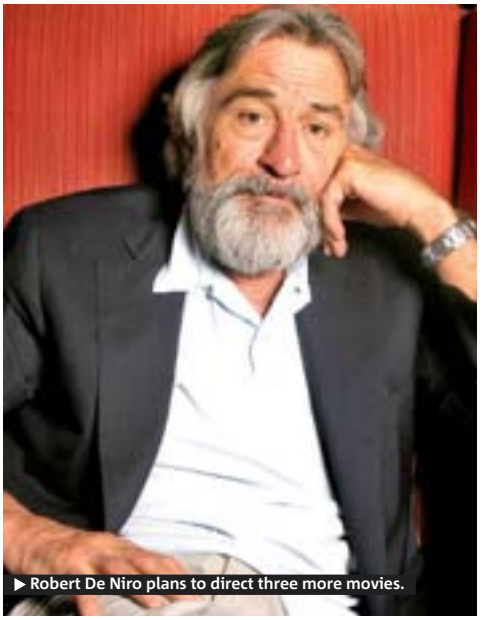
That's three, tops, De Niro makes clear, talking about the time commitment of years required as a director, compared to just weeks for some roles as an actor. Thirteen years passed between his first and second directing gigs as he maintained a busy acting schedule while developing potential filmmaking projects and trying to line up studio backing.

"When you get older, you get offered less things, obviously. You get offered father parts, and at one point, grandfather parts." ROBERT DE NIRO

"It's an uphill battle. ... The creative part, that's difficult enough. But the fun stuff is all the other stuff that goes with it: people; the input from studios, and all the people who have to justify their jobs; and the money; and is this actor going to get more, or they're not right for it."

That's also a lot of words coming from the typically close-lipped De Niro, so you know he means it.

Among possible future directing plans is another instalment of The Good Shepherd saga, De Niro's epic tale of the roots of the CIA that starred Matt Damon. But nothing's definite, unlike his on-screen career and his sideline as co-founder of the Tribeca Film Festival, launched to help revitalize lower Manhattan after the Sept. 11 attacks. THE CANADIAN PRESS


▶ Robert De Niro plans to direct three more movies.

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Formula for guitar rock success

Finger Eleven
Album: Life Turns Electric
Label: Wind-up/Sony
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It's hard to believe this band started out in Burlington, Ont., as an edgy bunch of punks called the Rainbow Butt Monkeys. A name change and two monster hits (One Thing and Paralyzer) have given Finger Eleven the taste of Top-10 success and the band hopes to have another drink from the cup with the new single Living in a Dream. The song is so close to the Paralyzer template, one song could bleed into another. It's cynical to think Paralyzer fans will come rushing back for more of the same. But, hey, it always worked for Nickelback. Still there's enough distinctive guitar rock on the album in songs like Any Moment Now and Pieces Fit to keep Finger Eleven's credibility in tact. The most interesting track here is the closer, a gentle rolling song called Love's What You Left Me With. **Outstanding track:** Love's What You Left Me With
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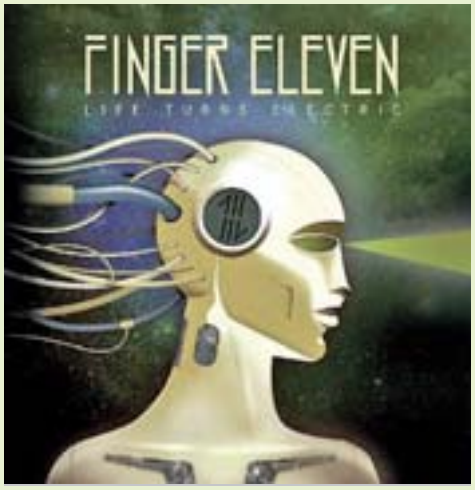

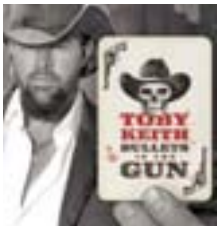

Toby Keith
Album: Bullets in the Gun
Label: Universal
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Toby Keith sticks to tried-and-true country formulas on his 15th studio album. The title track, Bullets in the Gun, is a Bonny-and-Clyde style rocker that ends, predictably, with blood in the dirt. The redneck clichés flow like stale beer on a hot cinderblock porch in the tongue-and-cheek Trailerhood and his take on outlaw truckers, Drive It On Home, has been done too many times before. Keith is best when he's pokin' fun at his own macho image on Get Out of My Car or pulling the heart strings in the mushy, but compelling, Kissin' in the Rain.
Outstanding track: Kissin' in the Rain
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Fall TV falling flat?

Fall TV season devoid of new must-see shows Hawaii Five-0 only newbie to crack Top 20 list

Two weeks into a new television season, and it's clear there are no must-see new programs.

CBS' Monday night remake of Hawaii Five-0 was the only new program to crack the Nielsen Co.'s list of the 20 most popular programs last week.

Its audience of 12.7 million viewers was down from the 14.2 million people who saw the premiere — not unusual, but not the sign of a show taking off, either.

Already, two programs have been cancelled: Fox's Lone Star and ABC's My Generation. The latter had only 3.8 million viewers last week, deadly for a Thursday night, and no help to Grey's Anatomy, which followed it on the schedule.

Other programs — NBC's Jimmy Smits vehicle Outlaw, ABC's procedural The Whole Truth and the Fox comedy Running Wilde — need to start showing progress soon, or they could face the same fate.

As the most stable network, CBS has had the most success getting people to try out their shows. The comedy Mike & Molly is off to a solid start on Monday nights, and Tom Selleck's Blue Bloods has done well on Fridays, usually a tough night for TV viewing.

ABC's No Ordinary Family opened to an audience of 10.7 million viewers last week, a solid start.

Last week's favourites were familiar to viewers: dancing, football and NCIS.

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▶ Hawaii Five-O's Alex O'Loughlin and Scott Caan

Doc follows Springsteen into studio

DOCUMENTARY. Bruce Springsteen fans won't want to miss the documentary The Promise: The Making of Darkness on the Edge of Town, which goes into the recording studio with the Boss and the E Street Band as they record their fourth album. (HBO Canada)

Hapless prof returns to Community

COMEDY. John Oliver of The Daily Show with Jon Stewart resumes his role as Professor Duncan over on Community, this time with the hapless prof struggling to take over the anthropology class with no training. Meanwhile, the group comforts Pierce as he deals with the death of his mother. (Citytv)

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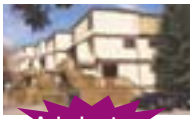

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Reviving Peanuts

As Charlie Brown and Snoopy turn 60, the family of creator Schulz plans for the gang's future

AP PHOTO/WARNER HOME VIDEO

▶ Happiness is a Warm Blanket, Charlie Brown is the first new animated film in five years, set for release next spring.

Good grief, Charlie Brown. The world has certainly changed since the Peanuts were born.

In 60 years, the U.S. sent a man to the moon, survived the Cold War and now has one of the worst economic funks in decades. All that time, Charles Schulz's imaginary gang has been a fixture of newspaper funny pages and grainy holiday TV specials.

Now, his family is working to keep Snoopy, Lucy and the rest alive for generations to come.

A handful of new projects is in the works. The first new animated film in five years is set for release next spring called, Happiness is a Warm Blanket, Charlie Brown.

ABC just signed on for five more years of airing Charlie Brown holiday specials. A new social media game began on Facebook and Twitter last month to Countdown to the Great Pumpkin, and the comic strip has made its way to a popular gaming website for millions of children.

The enduring appeal is no surprise, said Lee Mendelson, who produced the films with Schulz for more than 40 years.

Schulz had said "there's always going to be a market for innocence in this country," Mendelson said Friday as a photograph of Schulz at his drawing board was hung at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery in recognition of his impact on the nation. Schulz died in 2000.

"The innocence and the humour that he brought, I think, helped us as a nation through many bad times," Mendelson said.

Peanuts comics, which first appeared in 1950 in the St. Paul Pioneer Press, still appear in 2,200 newspapers in 75 different countries.

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New projects

- **The Peanuts Collection,** a new book out later this month, will trace the comic strip's history.
- **Great Pumpkin Island** is being released on Poptropica, a gaming website that caters to millions of tweens.

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Mel's ex spills on secret recordings

Grigorieva claims she feared for her life **Says extortion not a motive**

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Oksana Grigorieva is finally speaking out about her feud with Mel Gibson and why she recorded his tirades over the phone to her.

"I thought he would kill me," she tells People magazine. "I needed to document his threats."

The Russian singer insists the recordings were never meant as extortion. "I'm not angry at him," she says.

"For the sake of (our daughter) Lucia, I really want him to be well. He has to have the courage to be responsible for what he's done."

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Talking points

McAdams has new love interest

PEOPLE Michael Sheen and Rachel McAdams have been turning heads in Canada, where the rumored couple was spotted taking a stroll holding hands, according to Us Weekly. While they were first spotted locking lips l during the Toronto Film Festival, Sheen and McAdams are said to have been quietly spending lots of quality time together. METRO

Lil Wayne in solitary

PEOPLE Lil Wayne's last month in jail looks to be tougher than the rest of his sentence, as the rapper will be spending it in solitary confinement, according to the New York Times. METRO

Celebrity tweets

50 Cent **[@50cent]** You know if you don't like me something might be wrong with you. I just looked in the mirror and I'm cool man.

Joseph Gordon-Levitt **[@hitRECordJoe]** My super hero brother @burningdan 1974-2010. Celebrate his life.

Eliza Dushku **[@elizadushku]** Can I attach my computer/laptop to my home tv so I can watch online netflix on big screen? Yelp please

Conan O'Brien **[@ConanOBrien]** Okay, I admit it. I find Meg Whitman's ex-nanny weirdly attractive.

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More kids for Kelley and Heigl?

Katherine Heigl and Josh Kelley are planning to expand their family, but whether it's by adoption again or through having a biological child is still up in the air, she tells Redbook.

"We still talk about having biological children as well. I'm not ruling anything out," she says.

"Adoption has been a part of my life and a part of my family, so it was how I wanted to start

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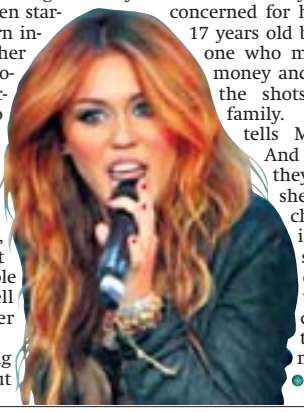
The Biebs thinks Pattinson would make ideal wing man

GETTY IMAGES FILE

Justin Bieber doesn't necessarily need help picking up girls, but he wouldn't mind having Robert Pattinson by his side, according to Hollyscoop.

"We should go to a few showbiz parties and see what happens," Bieber says. "Robert says his hair is a great ice-breaker, so maybe we can go up to girls and be like, 'Do you wanna touch our hair?' How about that for an opening line?" The singer wouldn't mind venturing to the Twilight star's homeland, either: "The girls go crazy for him over here, but I have a big thing for English girls so maybe we could hit a couple of parties in London as well." METRO

Family starting to worry about Miley's wild ways



Miley Cyrus' family is reportedly starting to worry that the teen starlet will turn into another Lindsay Lohan, according to Hollywood Life.

"At first Miley's mom, Tish, got upset when people would tell her her daughter was being wild, but now she's realizing it herself," a source says. "We're concerned for her. She's 17 years old but is the one who makes the money and calls all the shots in the family. No one tells Miley no. And even if they did, she's so charismatic that she'd convince them to change their minds."

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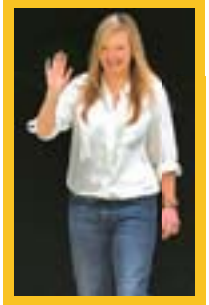

In the months that followed Alexander McQueen's suicide in February, the fashion world was abuzz with speculation about the future of the house. But following Sarah Burton's brilliant debut this week at the helm of the label put any rumours about the house's future to rest.

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British designer Giles Deacon's debut breathes new life into Ungaro

GIOVANNA BATTAGLIA

The final word from Paris

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In the international parade of catwalks, Paris always is the definitive fashion week.

The shows seemed to overwhelmingly fall into two categories: structured '70s-influenced shapes or light and airy fluidity.

In part, the disco-era work of Yves Saint Laurent partly influenced the '70s feeling in the air from the flared trousers at Sonia Rykiel and Akris to, of course, the ruffled dresses and le smoking reinterpretations at Yves Saint Laurent.

Louis Vuitton ended the week on this note with an extravagant study in the idea of camp with glam, opulent, shimmery dresses in bold jewel tone colours. Meanwhile, a lighter, airy school of thought also emerged this week through the fluid, diaphanous skirts and dresses at Lanvin, Rochas, Stella McCartney and Chloé to name just a few.

1 STELLA MCCARTNEY

With so few designers actually paying attention the seasons they're designing for (half of Spring/Summer '11 could be worn in autumn and winter), it's nice to see a collection that seems genuinely tailored for warm weather.

McCartney's pastel blazers and high-waist cropped trousers were just light enough for a spring day in the office. Meanwhile her jumpsuits with thigh-high slits seemed designed with a summer breeze in mind.

Other standouts included a series of dresses in bold graphic prints of oversized citrus fruits.

2 CHLOÉ

Change is good. Just when it seemed fashion was giving us blush and camel overload, Hannah MacGibbon took a departure from the colours palette she helped make famous.

With an audience filled with editors wearing (you guessed it) camel and blush, Hannah MacGibbon sent models out in crisp whites, black and taupe with a single moment of red. The colour palette wasn't the only major change.

Her trademark '70s silhouettes were replaced with clean and thoroughly modern minimalist looks: a series of delicately pleated dresses that hit the knee and mid-calf and trouser and long sleeve tee pairings that had a note of restraint.

MacGibbon also explored transparency, which we've seen a lot of this season, in sheer, tulle ballerina-like dresses.

3 YVES SAINT LAURENT

This runway season, many designers have referenced the work of the man, Yves Saint Laurent. So it goes without saying that the house, Yves Saint Laurent, would need to be the definitive voice on these ideas.

Stefano Pilati's collection, intelligently and beautifully reinvented the masters trademarks including a smoking tuxedo jacket, the colours orange, longish ruffled dresses and more with strong results.

They were exactly the kind of vibrant, feminine clothes that Pilati needed to show after last season's lukewarmly received, clinical looks. They captured the trends of the season in a memorable way.

4 CHANEL

Always known for his mastery of the theatrical in fashion, Karl Lagerfeld staged the ultimate garden party with models walking through an elaborate runway set modeled after the landscaped greenery of Versailles.

The looks, easily the most sublime of the week, ranged from ethereal (fantastical, couture-like tiered gowns with tulle and feathers) to whimsical (tweed suits with frayed edges.) At the end of a long week of shows, the collection was a burst of energy.

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Pushing style standards

Tina Knowles mixes urban style, suburban life, womanly shapes in her new clothing line for Walmart

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▶ Tina Knowles new clothing line, called Miss Tina, mixes urban style, suburban life and womanly shapes

Tina Knowles taps just about everyone around her to be a fit model for her new line of clothes that just moved into Walmart, from her best 50-something-year-old friend in Houston to the young hip woman answering phones in her Manhattan office.

And, yes, her daughter, Beyonce, already has samples from the upcoming spring collection.

But nothing goes into the collection, called Miss Tina, that she doesn't think complements her own figure.

"I'm the best model for this," Knowles says. "I'm busy, I'm full under the arms and around the back. I couldn't wear jackets or a white button-down shirt before, and I don't want bare arms. All I was looking for was a jacket that actually closed."

Knowles started this label — separate from the more upscale House of Dereon and junior line Dereon that she works on with Beyonce — about three years ago, originally partnering with HSN. It was a great experience that afforded her the chance to get feedback from customers, Knowles says.

She did take the advice, even about her own appearance.

"Since I was 16, I wore red lipstick. My girls have told me for years not to wear red lipstick, but I didn't listen. But then when a caller said it, I listened," she says with a smile. "You know how it is with family."

When the time came to choose a bigger retail outlet, Walmart was the one willing to do the extended size range that Knowles wanted: up to a size 18.

Whether you're a size 4 or 20, women want the same thing, according to Knowles.

"These clothes are all made with the thought process to make you look slimmer and taller," she says. "Every dress has some draping and ruching, everything has stretch, even the leather jackets. Sand-blasting on jeans? That's not great for most figures and you won't find it here."

But you will find Knowles — and feel free to call her Miss Tina, everyone does — visiting several Walmart locations this month to guide shoppers into the outfits she thinks would be best on them. (Knowles will be in Atlanta, Dallas, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Torrance and West Sacramento, Calif.)

"When I owned a hair salon back in Houston, I did a lot of makeovers. Women would come in for a new hairstyle and go out with a whole new look. I know what looks good on a woman."

The one silhouette she'd like to see women break out of their comfort zone and try are the attached miniskirt-legging combination. It doesn't have the hanger appeal of, say, a snake-print dress, but she thinks it's universally flattering.

The most valuable style advice, however, comes from within, she says. "The best thing you can do is take your time to study your own style, then the individual pieces will come naturally."

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Tina Knowles

What else she does

Music She currently serves as Beyoncé and Solange's manager. She also managed the music group Destiny's Child. Tina served as the designer of costumes for Destiny's Child.

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Thanksgiving is the time for family and friends to gather around a harvest table to enjoy a hearty meal and good conversation. And nothing sets the mood better than a seasonally decorated tabletop. Here are some quick tips on how to dress your table to impress.

According to Canadian interior designer Jane Lockhart, host of the W Network's Colour Confidential, one of this fall's biggest decorating trends is the use of natural materials. Think wooden bowls filled with pinecones and acorns, woven placemats and candlesticks wrapped with raffia.

With that in mind, Lockhart suggests making a Thanksgiving centre piece statement by filling a large bowl or basket with mini-pumpkins, gourds, and green and red apples. "Avoid high centre pieces so they don't block people's views across the table," she says, adding, "I also like to add a decorative runner in a sage green or brown to ground the table overall."

As with any type of decorating, the key is to strike the right balance. "Don't add too much to the table so that it's difficult for people to move or spread out for dinner," warns Lockhart. "Think function before decoration to avoid too much table clutter."

Just a few table accessories in fall colours — napkins, napkin rings, plate chargers, a runner, place cards, a few candles and a beautiful centre piece — go a long way to creating a memorable Thanksgiving dinner. And if 'bling' is your thing, Lockhart suggests adding a couple of mirrored candleholders or plate chargers to the mix.

Jane Lockhart will be speaking at the International Home Show at the International Centre in Mississauga taking place this Thanksgiving weekend.

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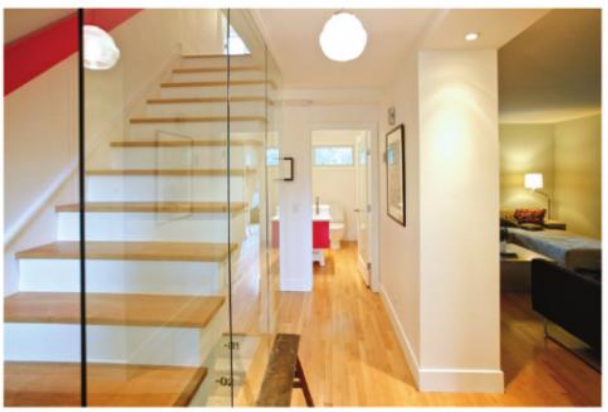

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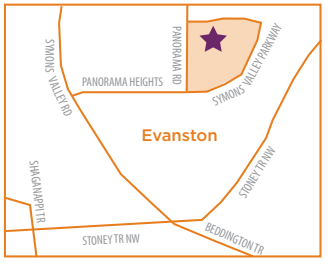

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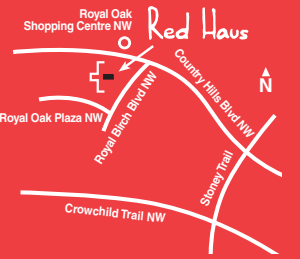

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Ideas for your kitchen?

As a first-time homebuyer, you can make your new kitchen look like Martha Stewart's

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Last week I was invited to New York City to preview the latest product from Martha Stewart; her new collection of kitchen cabinetry for KraftMaid Cabinetry, which launches in Home Depot stores this month.

The kitchen styles are reminiscent of Martha's own kitchens and the ones you've seen on her television shows and in her magazine. They are casual, simple and detail oriented; just what you would expect from this queen of organization and style.

They were everything I expected; quality, great looks and very on-trend finishes that will last a long time. What I was not expecting — but what first-time homebuyers who want to upgrade their kitchen will like — is the affordable price. The cabinetry is at entry-level pricing for semi custom kitchens, and starts at $125 per linear foot. I also like that she is offering us a first in affordable kitchens; the painted farmhouse looking style with features that are normally found in high-end kitchens.

Stewart was very charming and forthcoming about her ideas of the perfect kitchen; she loves quality, great organizational options. Beautiful details like shelf brackets, reproduction hardware and durable stone looking counter tops.

Many looks

The kitchens come in 20 door styles, creating hundreds of finishes and looks. The most wonderful accents are brackets, painted cabinetry and great looking hardware; options that help to create the ultimate farmhouse kitchen; a look that has been lacking for a long time. Martha has teamed up with Corian for a great selection of counter tops; all her distinct counter top styles resemble stone counters but for a much lower price. Classic hardware styles that are reproduced in iron, polished brass and nickel finishes are right on track with the trends of today.

A look at Martha Stewart's new line of cabinetry. Finer details at right.

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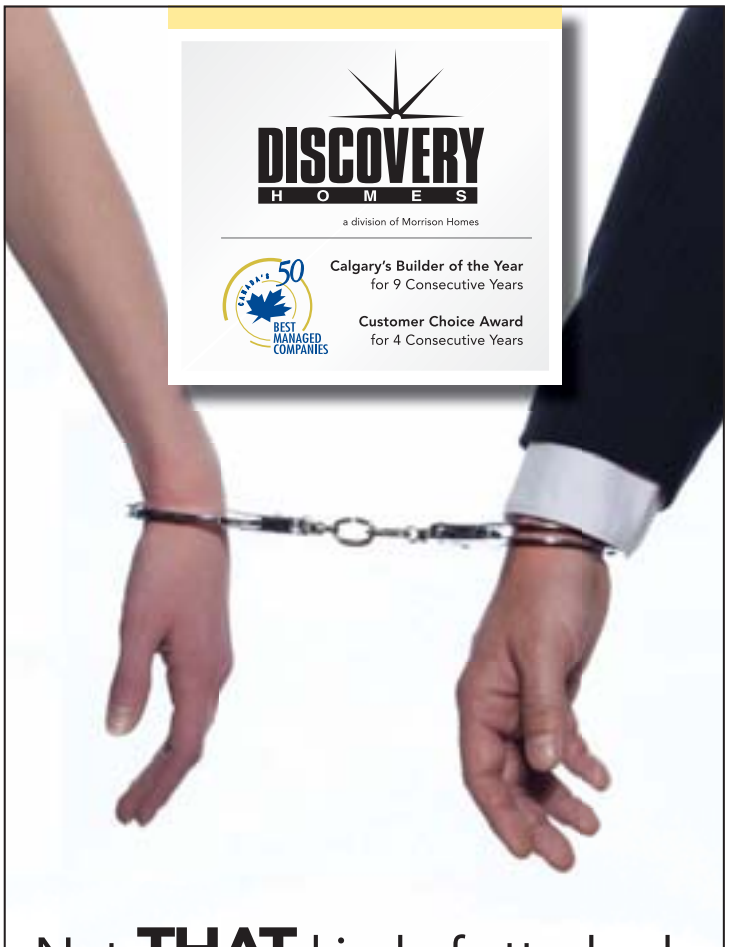
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"What many homebuyers don't realize is that by considering a couple of additional factors in their buying decision they can easily save a few hundred dollars on their insurance costs every year."

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The number of single-family homes sold in Calgary this month (958) went up by 10 per cent compared to August 2010 (867) but the numbers are still down 24 per cent compared to last year when 1,257 homes were sold.

Calgary Real Estate Board president Diane Scott says the bump upwards is a positive note that Calgary's real estate market could be in the swing of a recovery from an earlier plunge.

"There are signs that September may mark a gradual, if not slight, uptick for Calgary's housing market — we are seeing a modest improvement since the market's decline that really started in April of this year," Scott said.

Home prices averaged $460,278 in Calgary in Sept. 2010, a three per cent increase from August and no significant change from Sept. 2009 when the price was $459,085. Condo prices dipped a single per cent from August 2010 to $284,028 and two per cent overall from Sept. 2009. The average price of a property sold in Alberta this year was $342,571, compared to $344, 128 in 2009 a drop of less than one per cent. RAFAEL BRUSILOW

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"Art is a great investment and it doesn't have to be expensive if you buy it smart," says Rachael Liska, senior editor at Fresh Home magazine.

Steven Young Lee, resident artist director of the Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramic Arts, notes that art can be inspirational, and affect viewers on an emotional level.

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▶ Shown here is a work by Rosalie Wynkoop. Online galleries and local art shows are great to decorate.

"You want to live with pieces that continue to influence you in some way," says Lee. "You may notice something different every time you look at it. Your perspective changes and the work changes with you."

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The Manwich ($8.75) is wholly satisfying as layers of brisket with slow-smoked pulled pork, tangy coleslaw and a pickle. Mini-loaf cornbread ($1.49) is sweet and buttery.

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2. With skin side down, flatten turkey breast with the flat side of a meat mallet or a rolling pin until meat is of fairly uniform thickness.
3. In a bowl, combine maple syrup and butter well. Spread 50 ml (1/4 cup) of the butter mixture on the inside of the turkey breast. Spoon stuffing mixture on breast leaving a 5-cm (2-inch) border around the sides. Starting at one end, fold turkey breast around the stuffing, fully enclosing the stuffing, and secure with string or skewers.
4. Lay carrots in the bottom of a lightly oiled roasting pan. Place turkey breast seam side down on carrots and rub with another 50 ml (1/4 cup) of the butter mixture. Season with salt, pepper and sage, then cover and bake for 30 minutes. Uncover and continue to bake for 1 hour or until meat thermometer registers 83 C (180 F).
5. Let turkey rest for 5 minutes. In the meantime, heat remaining butter-maple syrup mixture on medium heat until mixture begins to boil and starts to reduce. When thickened, remove from heat. Remove string or skewers from turkey breast and slice in 2.5-cm (1-inch) thick slices. Serve with roasted carrots and maple sauce.

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Ingredients :

- 15 ml (1 tbsp) butter
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) onion, finely diced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) sage, chopped
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) fresh or frozen cranberries, chopped
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) long-grain and wild rice mix, cooked
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1.5 kg (3 lb) turkey breast, boneless, skin on
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) real maple syrup
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) butter, softened
- 5 ml (1 tsp) dried sage
- 4 large carrots, cut into halves lengthwise

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Simple goal for Flames: Score more

Identifying what the Calgary Flames have to do this season is simple.

The club scored a league-low 204 goals in 2009-10 and knows an improvement is needed for a return to the playoffs.

Calgary opens the regular season on the road tonight against Taylor Hall and the Edmonton Oilers, before returning home for Sunday's tilt against the Los Angeles Kings.

The Flames missed the post-season for the first time since 2003 thanks to a goal drought following the Olympic break in February.

Generating more offence from the back end and extracting more goalscoring from players who have previously demonstrated that ability, while retaining their strong defence, is Calgary's strategy for a return to glory.

The free-agent signings of former Flames Olli Jokinen and winger Alex Tanguay on July 1 is part of that plan.

Tanguay, who signed a one-year deal with the Flames after a disappointing season in Tampa Bay, is set be the playmaker for Jokinen and captain Jarome Iginla on Calgary's top line.

Iginla's offensive totals last season were his lowest since before the 2004-05 lockout. When Tanguay had his banner season in 2006-07, Iginla posted the second-highest totals of his career.

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Missing the post-season in 2010 followed four straight years of first-round exits.

With Tanguay and Jokinen bent on proving they are still elite players in the NHL, it's hoped they'll revitalize the Calgary captain's game.

The trio showed flashes of chemistry during the pre-season, in which Calgary went 7-0.

"I truly believe we'll be better this year," Iginla. "It's not just Olli and I working together and being better individually. We have a lot of help from Alex joining us, but also all the way down to our style of play and the defencemen joining in and all those things are going to help a lot.

"We still have to have good defensive habits and be good in our own zone, but we can put a lot more pressure on the other team and be quicker.

Calgary's defence wasn't an issue last season as the Flames ranked No. 6 in goals-against. Miikka Kiprusoff had some of his best career numbers with a .920 save percentage and 2.31 GAA.

While head coach Brent Sutter isn't likely moving away from his philosophy of defensive responsibility, the plan is to get defencemen more involved in generating offence.

"We're trying to be different from last season," defenceman Robyn Regehr explained. "We're trying to get more involvement from the back end with a defenceman jumping up in the play."

Tonight's season-opener is the third straight meeting between the Alberta rivals after two pre-season games that Calgary won 5-1 and 1-0. The Flames will get their fill of the Oilers early with three games against Edmonton in their first nine of the regular season.

"We want to have a good start to the season," head coach Brent Sutter said. "We're going to Edmonton. We know they'll be fired up and revved up and we've just got to go play our game and play with the emotions we need to play with, make sure they're controlled, and we'll be fine."

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"Our goal here as a team is to win the Stanley Cup. We might as well talk about that. And I don't think we're that far away."
SABRES COACH LINDY RUFF

"I'm happy Lindy came out and said it. That should be our goal. Now we just need to show up and actually do it and not just always talk about it like we have in the past."
FORWARD THOMAS VANEK

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OLLI AND ALEX 2.0

Will reclamation pay off? Fans will soon find out

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"It's been five months we've been answering these questions. Especially the last couple of months about 'why did you sign here? What's going on? You're a bad player, you should be playing in Europe' and all that kind of stuff."
OLLI JOKINEN

Recycled Flame forwards Olli Jokinen and Alex Tanguay will finally start answering the summer-long questions.

Can they, playing on a line with captain Jarome Iginla, boost what was a moribund offence and return the Calgary Flames to the playoffs?

The reclamations of Jokinen and Tanguay were Calgary's most significant off-season moves. Since Flames GM Darryl Sutter signed them as free agents on July 1, the recurring query in this NHL market has been can the two forwards recapture former glory?

The best season of Tanguay's career was with the Flames three seasons ago. The 30-year-old had 81 points in 81 games, but had just 10 goals and 27 assists for Tampa Bay last season.

Jokinen had 19 goals and 31 assists in 75 games with Calgary over parts of two seasons before Sutter traded him to New York in February.

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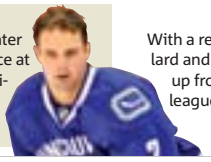
What fans will be talking about

A new NHL season brings a number of storylines that will play out over the next six months Here's a look at a few that are worth charting

	The story	The angle
Halak Pays Price:	The Montreal Canadiens' decision to trade playoff hero Jaroslav Halak to St. Louis and keep Carey Price as their top goaltender will be followed closely all season. Fans have already noted every pre-season win by Halak while Price has slowly wound into form in Montreal.	If Halak excels and Price struggles, there will be calls for GM Pierre Gauthier's head. Price has already heard a mix of boos and cheers at the Bell Centre.
Hawks Repeat?	No team has won back-to-back Stanley Cups since the Detroit Red Wings in 1997 and 1998, although the Wings came within a Game 7 goal of doing it again in 2009. Now it's Chicago's turn to give it a try.	Being well over the $59.4-million US salary cap forced Chicago to let go of forwards Kris Versteeg, Ben Eager, Andrew Ladd, Dustin Byfuglien and Adam Burish, defenceman Brent Sopel, and goalie Antti Niemi.
Canuck Drought:	The Vancouver Canucks enter the season with the best chance at winning Canada's first championship since 1993. 	With a retooled defence that includes Keith Ballard and Dan Hamhuis, and the same weapons up front that made the Canucks one of the league's highest-scoring teams, there is reason for hope in Vancouver.
Headshot Rule:	With a new penalty called illegal checking to the head in the rulebook, it will be interesting to see if there are fewer headshots on the ice.	The new penalty is a major and focuses on blindside hits where the primary point of impact is the head. How long before one is called?
Rookie Race:	The race for the Calder Trophy might take place entirely in Edmonton. Hotshot rookies Taylor Hall, Jordan Eberle and Magnus Pajaarvi have all cracked the Oilers roster and will no doubt push each other.	With three high-profile rookies suiting up for the Oilers, the race for the Calder is bound to be a major focus this season.
Staying in Phoenix?	Would a new owner for the Phoenix Coyotes please stand up? The NHL has been running the once-bankrupt team for a year and a half, and commissioner Gary Bettman is clearly losing some patience.	If no one steps forward to purchase the Coyotes by Dec. 31, the league has the right to start looking at other places to move the team. It's reasonable to assume Winnipeg would be high on that list.

Players to watch

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1 **Jonathan Toews, Chicago Blackhawks:** With a couple key players gone, the captain's leadership will be called on as the Blackhawks try to defend their title.

2 **Alex Ovechkin, Washington Capitals:** Another gaudy statistical season is virtually assured for the flashiest player in the NHL, but his year is bound to be measured by what kind of team success Washington has with him as a leader.

3 **Ilya Kovalchuk, New Jersey Devils:** The Devils paid a heavy price to keep the Russian winger, so Kovalchuk will be expected to deliver the goods. GM Lou Lamiorello and the entire organization are looking to recapture the post-season success that has eluded them in recent years.

4 **Antti Niemi, San Jose Sharks:** Evgeni Nabokov was never able to deliver a championship for the talented Sharks. That job now falls to Niemi, who brings a Blackhawks Stanley Cup ring with him to northern California.

5 **Simon Gagne, Tampa Bay Lightning:** This could be a make-or-break season for the oft-injured winger. Now playing in the Sunshine State after a decade in Philadelphia, he will be given a chance to shine while playing alongside Vincent Lecavalier.

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Caps stick with tried-and-true crew

When the Washington Capitals open the season tomorrow night, it will be hard to spot an unfamiliar face.

Nearly every Capitals player who takes the ice against the Atlanta Thrashers either played for Washington last season or has played for the team's AHL affiliate in Hershey.

The only exceptions are Marcus Johansson, a 2009 first-round draft pick who spent last season in Sweden, and enforcer D.J. King, acquired in a July trade with the St. Louis Blues.

The other sort-of new face is Matt Hendricks, but he played for Hershey in 2006-07 before spending two seasons with the Colorado Avalanche.

Otherwise, it's the tried-and-true crew featuring Alex Ovechkin, Alexander Semin, Nicklas Backstrom and Mike Green — along with the emerging young guys from the minors, many of whom the Capitals drafted themselves.

"We're in a lot of ways lucky, I guess," general manager George McPhee said. "We came up with this plan years ago, and fortunately ownership stood by it. In a lot of cities, a lot of teams, ownership does not have the patience. We're starting Friday night with 11 of our own first-round picks in the lineup. The league average is four. The closest team to us has seven.

"It's about making the playoffs and having a good playoff run, and how we get there is less important."
GEORGE MCPHEE, CAPITALS GM

"We put this plan together and we're in pretty good shape. It's a good team, they're our guys, and hopefully it leads to a Cup one of these days."

McPhee saw no reason to pick apart the team that accumulated an NHL-high 121 points last season, even if the Capitals did suffer yet another early playoff defeat by blowing a 3-1 first-round series lead before falling to the Montreal Canadiens in seven games.

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Cream of the crop of Cup hopefuls

As the season begins, here are a few early favourites to take the title

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▶ Sidney Crosby and the Penguins look like contenders.

Washington Capitals
Last season: 54-15-13, 121 points, 1st seed in the East, lost in first round to Montreal.
Breakdown:
Revenge is word in the U.S. capital, but redemption is a better description of what Washington wants after blowing a 3-1 lead and losing in seven games to the Canadiens. They needed far better team play, including from virtuoso star Alex Ovechkin.

Philadelphia Flyers
Last season: 41-35-6, 88 points, 7th seed in the East, lost Stanley Cup final to Chicago.
Breakdown:
They only made the playoffs by beating the New York Rangers in a shootout in the final game of the season, but the team that went to the final was a better indication of the Flyers' talent and depth than the up-and-down regular-season crew.

Pittsburgh Penguins
Last season: 47-28-7, 101 points, 4th seed in East, lost in second round to Montreal.
Breakdown:
The loss of big centre Jordan Staal for an undetermined period with a foot injury puts a damper on the 2009 Cup champions' move from the Igloo to the 18,087-seat Consol Energy Centre. They also lost veteran winger Bill Guerin, although the departure of power-play anchor Sergei Gonchar was offset by the signing of Paul Martin.

Boston Bruins
Last season: 39-30-13, 91 points, 6th seed in East, lost in second round to Philadelphia.
Breakdown:
The loss of top centre Marc Savard to concussion symptoms may be offset by the addition of scoring winger Nathan Horton from Florida and a big rookie year from second overall draft pick Tyler Seguin. Happily for the Bruins, they are deep at centre with Patrice Bergeron and David Krejci, who is looking to rebound from only 17 goals last season.

Los Angeles Kings
Last season: 46-27-9, 101 points, 6th seed in the West, lost in first round to Vancouver.
Breakdown:
This is a team with a young core that has been trending in the right direction the past couple seasons. The brightest star of them all is defenceman Drew Doughty, who won't turn 21 until December but is a legitimate Norris Trophy candidate. Centre Anze Kopitar could threaten the 100-point barrier.

Vancouver Canucks
Last season: 49-28-5, 103 points, 3rd seed in the West, lost in second round to Chicago.
Breakdown:
The Canucks were second in league scoring a year ago, led by Hart Trophy-winner Henrik Sedin, and should continue to have a pretty potent attack. The Sedin twins and Ryan Kesler will be key cogs once again, as will players like Alex Burrows and Mason Raymond.

San Jose Sharks
Last season: 51-20-11, 113 points, 1st seed in the West, lost in conference final to Chicago.
Breakdown:
The biggest change comes in goal, where Antti Niemi and Antero Niittymaki have taken over for the departed Evgeni Nabokov. GM Doug Wilson is banking on the duo pushing the team over the top — hardly a stretch given that Niemi won a Stanley Cup last season in Chicago.

Detroit Red Wings
Last season: 44-24-14, 102 points, 5th seed in the West, lost in second round to San Jose.
Breakdown:
Break out the Advil. With a roster featuring nine players 35 or older, the Wings are virtually assured of leading the league in wear and tear. But there's at least a couple future Hall of Famers among that group — Nicklas Lidstrom and Mike Modano, who decided to sign with his hometown team over the summer rather than retire.

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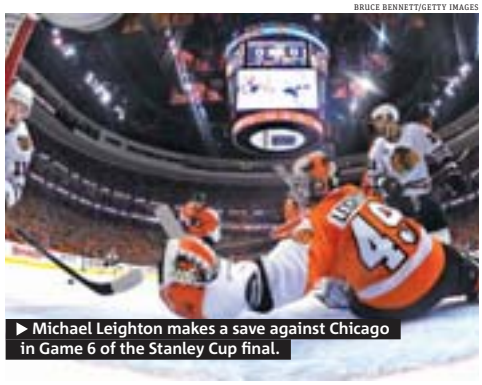

▶ Michael Leighton makes a save against Chicago in Game 6 of the Stanley Cup final.

Net worth: Spending on goalies falls out of fashion

Last spring's playoffs left many in hockey, including its general managers, wondering what is the point of throwing multimillions at big-name goaltenders.

Jaroslav Halak was earning $800,000 US when he led the Montreal Canadiens to the Eastern Conference final, where they lost to a Philadelphia team with budget-priced veterans Michael Leighton and Brian Boucher.

The Flyers in turn lost to the Chicago Blackhawks and their little-known goalie Antti Niemi.

The big-money boys — Roberto Luongo, Martin Brodeur, Evgeni Nabokov and the rest — went home early, while others, like Cristobal Huet in Chicago, Jose Theodore in Washington and Tim Thomas in Boston, had lost the starting jobs to younger, cheaper netminders.

The results suggested there was money to be saved in going with youth and using the extra cash to put a better team in front of them.

And the prospects of a goalie landing a big, multi-year contract weren't helped by the glut of puck-stoppers on the free agent market in the summer. If anything, teams were shedding expensive goalies, with San Jose's Nabokov heading for St. Petersburg in the KHL and Huet shipped to Switzerland.

It is into that financial environment that Florida Panthers veteran Tomas Vokoun may go as he plays out the final season of a four-year deal that pays an average of $5.7 million per year. With super-prospect Jacob Markstrom waiting in the wings, there is already talk of Vokoun being dealt at the trade deadline if the Panthers are out of the playoff race.

But the 34-year-old is convinced it's a passing fad.

"Next spring there could be a $6-million goalie winning the Stanley Cup and the Conn Smythe and then everybody's going to say something totally different," said Vokoun.

"But now, for me, it's not so much about money, so I'm sure I'll find a spot."

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$2.75M

Amount former former Blackhawks goalie Antti Niemi was awarded in arbitration. Chicago opted instead for veteran Marty Turco for one year at $1.3 million

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▶ Panthers goalie Tomas Vokoun is entering the final season of a four-year deal.

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History

Halladay throws second-ever playoff no-hitter

▶ Phillies ace Roy Halladay celebrates after throwing a no-hitter to defeat the Cincinnati Reds 4-0 yesterday.

PHILLIES	REDS
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Talk about a post-season debut.

Roy Halladay threw the second no-hitter in post-season history, leading the Philadelphia Phillies over the Cincinnati Reds 4-0 in Game 1 of the NL division series yesterday.

Don Larsen is the only other pitcher to throw a post-season no-hitter. He threw a perfect game for the New York Yankees in the 1956 World Series against Brooklyn. The 54th anniversary of Larsen's gem is tomorrow.

"It's surreal, it really is," Halladay said. "I just wanted to pitch here, to pitch in the post-season. To go out and have a game like that, it's a dream come true."

Halladay took the Year of the Pitcher into the post-season. The excitement spread beyond Citizens Bank Park — the last two outs were shown on the video board at Target Field, where the Twins were preparing to play the Yankees, and Minnesota fans cheered.

The all-star right-hander, who tossed a perfect game at Florida May 29, dominated the Reds with a sharp fastball and a devastating slow curve in his first playoff start.

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Halladay became the fifth pitcher to throw two no-hitters in the same year. He joined Nolan Ryan (1973), Virgil Trucks (1952), Allie Reynolds (1951) and Johnny Vander Meer (1938).

Halladay allowed only one runner, walking Jay Bruce on a full count with two outs in the fifth, and struck out eight.

Halladay spent 12 seasons with Toronto, far from the post-season. A trade last off-season brought him to the defending two-time NL champions.

With a sellout crowd standing in the ninth and chanting, "Let's go, Doc!" Halladay received a thunderous ovation when he jogged to the mound to start the inning.

Ramon Hernandez popped out to second baseman Chase Utley for the first out. Pinch-hitter Miguel Cairo then fouled out to third baseman Wilson Valdez.

"I felt like we got in a groove early. Carlos (Ruiz) has been great all year, he helps me get into a rhythm early, throwing strikes."
HALLADAY ON HIS CATCHER

Halladay then retired Brandon Phillips on a tapper in front of the plate to end it. Catcher Carlos Ruiz pounced on the ball and threw out Phillips.

Halladay pumped his fist into his glove as Ruiz rushed to the mound. Just like catcher Yogi Berra did with Larsen, Ruiz started to jump into Halladay's arms. Unlike Berra, Ruiz didn't wrap up his pitcher in a bear hug.

Phillies aces Roy Oswalt and Cole Hamels ran out of the dugout side-by-side to congratulate the other member of Philadelphia's Big 3. Pretty soon, everyone in a Phillies uniform was part of the victory party.

"This is what you come here for," Halladay said. "It's a good team, they know how to win ... It's been a great year, a fun year, we obviously have a ways to go."

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Moss traded to Vikings

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▶ Randy Moss

When Randy Moss first came to Minnesota 12 years ago, he electrified a stagnant franchise and immediately turned it into a Super Bowl contender.

Now the Vikings need him to do it again.

The New England Patriots traded the seven-time Pro Bowl receiver yesterday, sending him back to the place where he became an NFL superstar in exchange for a 2011 draft pick.

The Vikings play at New York Monday night, and Vikings coach Brad Childress said without hesitation Moss would be in uniform against the Jets.

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Lee dominates as Rangers take Game 1

TEXAS	TAMPA BAY
5	1

Cliff Lee, post-season ace for hire.

Picking up where he left off during a dazzling October run a year ago, Lee shut down the Tampa Bay Rays while outpitching David Price and leading the Texas Rangers to a 5-1 victory in the opening game of the AL playoffs.

Lee matched a post-season best with 10 strikeouts while allowing five hits — one after the second inning. During one dominating stretch, he retired 16 of 17 batters before giving up Ben Zobrist's homer in the seventh.

The Rangers, in the playoffs for the first time in 11 years, stopped a nine-game post-season losing streak that began in 1996.

Nelson Cruz and Bengie Molina homered for the AL West champions.

Darren O'Day and Darren Oliver pitched the eighth, and rookie Neftali Feliz worked out of a ninth-inning jam by striking out the final two batters.

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TAMPA BAY (E) VS. TEXAS (W)
(Texas leads series 1-0)
Yesterday's result
Texas 5 Tampa Bay 1
Today's game
Texas (Wilson 15-8) at Tampa Bay (Garza 15-10), 2:37 p.m.
Saturday's game
Tampa Bay (Davis 12-10) at Texas (Lewis 12-13), 5:07 p.m.
Sunday's game
x-Tampa Bay (Shields 13-15) at Texas (Hunter 13-4), TBA
Tuesday, Oct. 12
x-Texas at Tampa Bay, TBA
MINNESOTA (C) VS. N.Y. YANKEES (WC)
(New York leads series 1-0)
Last night's result
N.Y. Yankees 6 Minnesota 4
Tonight's game
N.Y. Yankees (Hughes 18-8 or Pettitte 11-3) at Minnesota (Pavano 17-11), 6:07 p.m.
Saturday's game
Minnesota (Duensing 10-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 11-3 or Hughes 18-8), 8:37 p.m
Sunday's game
x-Minnesota (Blackburn 10-12) at N.Y. Yankees (Burnett 10-15), TBA
Tuesday, Oct. 12
x-N.Y. Yankees at Minnesota, TBA

NATIONAL LEAGUE

PHILADELPHIA (E) VS. CINCINNATI (C)
(Philadelphia leads series 1-0)
Yesterday's result
Philadelphia 4 Cincinnati 0
Tomorrow's game
Cincinnati (Arroyo 17-10) at Philadelphia (Oswalt 13-13), 6:07 p.m.
Sunday's game
Philadelphia (Hamels 12-11) at Cincinnati (Cueto 12-7), TBA
Monday, Oct. 11
x-Philadelphia at Cincinnati, TBA
Wednesday, Oct. 13
x-Cincinnati at Philadelphia, TBA
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Tonight's game
Atlanta (Lowe 16-12) at San Francisco (Lincecum 16-10), 9:37 p.m.
Tomorrow's game
Atlanta (Hanson 10-11) at San Francisco (Cain 13-11), 9:37 p.m.
Sunday's game
San Francisco (Sanchez 13-9) at Atlanta (Hudson 17-9), TBA
Monday, Oct. 11
x-San Francisco at Atlanta, TBA
Wednesday, Oct. 13
x-Atlanta at San Francisco, TBA
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CALENDAR

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Oct. 27 — World Series begins, city of National League champion.
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Nov. 16-17 — General managers' meetings, Orlando, Fla.
Nov. 17-18 — Owners' meetings, Orlando, Fla.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Rolen 3b	3	0	0	0	Howard 1b	4	0	0	0
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E—Ondrusek (1). LOB—Cincinnati 1, Philadelphia 5. 2B—Victorino (1), Ibanez (1). SB—Victorino (1). SF—Utley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Volquez L,0-1	1 2-3	4	4	4	2	0
Tr.Wood	3 1-3	1	0	0	1	3
Ondrusek	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Bray	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia						
Halladay W,1-0	9	0	0	0	1	8

Umpires—Home, John Hirschbeck; First, Bruce Dreckman; Second, Sam Holbrook; Third, Ed Rapuano; Right, Rob Drake; Left, Gary Cederstrom.
T—2:34. A—46,411 (43,651).

NHL

PRE-SEASON

Yesterday's result
Phoenix 3 Dinamo Riga (Latvia) 1
END NHL PRE-SEASON SCHEDULE

REGULAR SEASON

Today's games
(All times Eastern)
Carolina at Minnesota (at Helsinki, Finland), 12 p.m.
Montreal at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Colorado, 10 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 10 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Minnesota at Carolina (at Helsinki, Finland), 12 p.m.
Columbus at San Jose (at Stockholm, Sweden), 3 p.m.
Dallas at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Anaheim at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
Phoenix at Boston (at Prague, Czech Republic), 12 p.m.
San Jose at Columbus (at Stockholm, Sweden), 3 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Dallas at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Washington, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Sunday's games
Boston at Phoenix (at Prague, Czech Republic), 10 a.m.
Los Angeles at Calgary, 8 p.m.
Florida at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Monday's games
Pittsburgh at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 1 p.m.
Anaheim at St. Louis, 2 p.m.
Chicago at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Washington, 7 p.m.
Florida at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 12
Colorado at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 13
New Jersey at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Washington, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Nashville at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

GAMES

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

At New Delhi

WHAT CANADA DID

CYCLING
Women
Points race — Tara Whitten, Edmonton, won bronze with 36 points.
Team Sprint — Whitten and Monique Sullivan, Calgary, won bronze in 37.094 seconds.
SWIMMING
Women
100-metre backstroke — Julia Wilkinson, Stratford, Ont., won bronze in 1:01.05.
WRESTLING
Greco-Roman
Men
55 kilograms — Promise Mwenga, Moncton, N.B., won bronze.
66 kilograms — Jack Bond, Sherwood Park, Alta., won silver.

NBA

PRE-SEASON

Yesterday's results
Memphis 87 Indiana 85
At Paris, France
Minnesota 106 New York 100
At Fayetteville, NC
Oklahoma City 97 Charlotte 93
At Manchester, NH
Boston 93 Philadelphia 65
At Vancouver
Toronto vs. Phoenix

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
New York	27	14	8	5	35	27	47
Columbus	27	13	7	7	35	29	46
Kansas City	26	9	11	6	29	31	33
Toronto FC	27	8	12	7	28	34	31
Chicago	26	7	11	8	31	35	29
Philadelphia	27	7	13	7	32	44	28
New England	27	7	15	5	29	47	26
D.C. United	27	6	18	3	19	42	21

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
x-Los Angeles	27	16	6	5	40	22	53
x-Real Salt Lake	27	14	4	9	41	18	51
x-FC Dallas	27	12	2	13	39	22	49
Seattle	27	12	9	6	34	31	42
Colorado	27	11	8	8	37	27	41
San Jose	26	11	8	7	28	28	40
Houston	27	7	14	6	36	46	27
Chivas USA	26	7	15	4	26	36	25

x — clinched playoff berth.
Tonight's game
(All times Eastern)
Los Angeles at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
Tomorrow's game
Columbus at Chicago, 9 p.m.
Saturday's games
Real Salt Lake at New York, 4:30 p.m.
Colorado at FC Dallas, 6 p.m.
San Jose at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Toronto FC at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
New England at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

CFL

WEEK 15

EAST DIVISION	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
x-Montreal	13	9	4	0	409	336	18
Hamilton	13	6	7	0	330	355	12
Toronto	13	6	7	0	259	344	12
Winnipeg	13	3	10	0	345	349	6

WEST DIVISION	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
x-Calgary	13	10	3	0	452	295	20
x-Saskatchewan	13	9	4	0	380	345	18
B.C.	13	5	8	0	324	319	10
Edmonton	13	4	9	0	261	413	8

x — clinched playoff berth.
Tomorrow's game
(All times Eastern)
Edmonton at Hamilton, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's game
Toronto at Saskatchewan, 5 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 11
Calgary at Montreal, 1 p.m.
B.C. at Winnipeg, 4:30 p.m.

SCORING LEADERS

X - SCORED TWO-POINT CONVERT

	TD	C	FG	S	Pts
Duval, Mtl	0	37	30	12	139
McCallum, BC	0	26	35	6	137
Maver, Cal	0	50	27	3	134
Congi, Sask	0	37	25	1	113
DeAngelis, Ham	0	29	25	1	105
Prefontaine, Edm	0	23	20	7	90
Cates, Sask	14	0	0	0	84
Shaw, Tor	0	18	19	6	81
x-Green, Mtl	10	4	0	0	64
T.Edwards, Wpg	10	0	0	0	60
Bryant, Cal	9	0	0	0	54
Robertson, BC	8	0	0	0	48
Serna, Wpg	0	20	8	4	48
Palardy, Ham-Wpg	0	14	10	4	48
Cobb, Ham	7	0	0	0	42
Lewis, Cal	7	0	0	0	42
Watkins, Mtl	7	0	0	0	42
x-Richardson, Mtl	6	2	0	0	38
Boyd, Tor	6	0	0	0	36
Bruce, Ham	6	0	0	0	36
Durant, Sask	6	0	0	0	36
Rambo, Cal	6	0	0	0	36
x-Owens, Tor	5	2	0	0	32
x-Simon, BC	5	2	0	0	32
Cobourne, Mtl	5	0	0	0	30
Dressler, Sask	5	0	0	0	30

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE
TEXAS RANGERS — Designated RHP Rich Harden for assignment. Claimed RHP Ryan Tucker off waivers from Florida.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
FLORIDA MARLINS — Assigned LHP Taylor Tankersley, RHP Tim Wood, INF Hector Luna and C Mike Rivera outright to New Orleans (PCL).
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Extended their player development contract with Huntsville (SL) through the 2012 season.
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Exercised their 2011 contract option on 1B Albert Pujols. Announced the 2011 contract vesting option for LHP Trever Miller has been met.
SAN DIEGO PADRES — Claimed INF Jarrett Hoffpauir off waivers from Toronto. Designated C Chris Stewart for assignment.

BASKETBALL

NBA

CHICAGO BULLS — Waived F Chris Richard.
MILWAUKEE BUCKS — Waived F Keith Gallon.
NEW JERSEY NETS — Waived G Eddie Gill.

FOOTBALL

NFL

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed RB Andre Anderson from their practice squad. Released TE Joe Klopfenstein from injured reserve. Signed DE Ra'Shon Harris to their practice squad.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Waived DB Derrick Roberson.
DETROIT LIONS — Claimed OT Jamon Meredith off waivers from Buffalo.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed QB Keith Null to their practice squad. Waived DT Komonyan Quaye.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Traded DE Jayme Mitchell to Cleveland for an undisclosed 2012 draft pick.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Traded WR Randy Moss to Minnesota for an undisclosed draft pick.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed RB Javarris James and RB Keiland Williams to their practice squad. Released LB Mike Balogun from their practice squad.

CFL

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Released LB Bernard Hicks. Signed DB Johnny Sears and DE Remond Willis to the practice roster.

HOCKEY

NHL

ATLANTA THRASHERS — Placed F Jim Slater on the injured/non-roster list and F Andrew Kozek on the injured reserve list.
BUFFALO SABRES — Assigned G Jhonas Enroth to Portland (AHL). Announced F Matt Ellis cleared waivers and has been assigned to Portland.
DETROIT RED WINGS — Assigned F Kirk Maltby and D Derek Meech to Grand Rapids (AHL).
EDMONTON OILERS — Loaned D Sheldon Souray to Hersey (AHL).
LOS ANGELES KINGS — Assigned G Erik Ersberg and F Rich Clune to Manchester (AHL). Signed C Jordan Nolan to a three-year contract.
MONTREAL CANADIENS — Assigned G Curtis Sanford, D Alex Henry, D Yannick Weber, F Ben Maxwell and F Ryan White to Hamilton (AHL).
NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Placed D Bryce Salvador on long-term injured reserve. Designated D Anssi Salmela as injured-nonroster player. Assigned D Matt Taormina to Albany (AHL). Recalled C Adam Henrique from Albany.
OTTAWA SENATORS — Assigned D David Hale to Binghamton (AHL).
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Assigned D Matt Roy to Norfolk (AHL).
VANCOUVER CANUCKS — Traded F Darcy Hordichuk to Florida for F Andrew Peters.

LACROSSE

NLL

CALGARY ROUGHNECKS — Traded F Tracey Kelusky and a 2011 third-round draft pick to Buffalo for a 2011 first-round draft pick.

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	3	1	0	.750	106	61
New England	3	1	0	.750	131	96
Miami	2	2	0	.500	66	92
Buffalo	0	4	0	.000	61	125
SOUTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Houston	3	1	0	.750	108	102
Jacksonville	2	2	0	.500	71	111
Indianapolis	2	2	0	.500	117	92
Tennessee	2	2	0	.500	98	68
NORTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Baltimore	3	1	0	.750	61	55
Pittsburgh	3	1	0	.750	86	50
Cincinnati	2	2	0	.500	79	78
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	68	77
WEST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Kansas City	3	0	0	1.000	68	38
San Diego	2	2	0	.500	113	71
Denver	2	2	0	.500	87	85
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	76	107

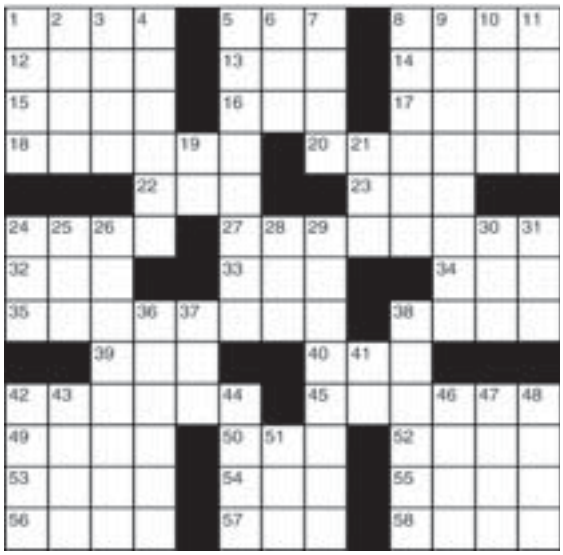
NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	2	2	0	.500	73	79
N.Y. Giants	2	2	0	.500	72	88
Philadelphia	2	2	0	.500	95	79
Dallas	1	2	0	.333	54	53
SOUTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Atlanta	3	1	0	.750	93	60
New Orleans	3	1	0	.750	79	72
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	50	59
Carolina	0	4	0	.000	46	87
NORTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Chicago	3	1	0	.750	69	68
Green Bay	3	1	0	.750	106	73
Minnesota	1	2	0	.333	43	38
Detroit	0	4	0	.000	82	106
WEST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Arizona	2	2	0	.500	58	118
St. Louis	2	2	0	.500	77	52
Seattle	2	2	0	.500	75	77
San Francisco	0	4	0	.000	52	103

WEEK 5

Byes: Miami, New England, Pittsburgh, Seattle
Sunday's games
St. Louis at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Denver at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Houston, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Washington, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Tennessee at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.
San Diego at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 11
Minnesota at N.Y. Jets, 8:30 p.m.

Crossword



Across

1 Jokes
5 Adipose tissue
8 Fleet from far off?
12 Burn remedy
13 Unfriendly
14 Ferris wheel, e.g.
15 Heart of the matter
16 Agt.
17 Boast
18 In
20 Not us
22 A handful
23 Wrong (Pref.)
24 "Carmina Burana" composer
27 Kinship
32 Mai — (cocktail)
33 Mainlander's memento
34 Sticky stuff
35 Oft-mimicked Michael Jackson video
38 In due time
39 Preceding
40 Flightless bird
42 Customs
45 Oriental temple
49 Rara —
50 The whole thing
52 Secondhand
53 Traditional tales
54 Brock of baseball
55 Coaster
56 Odds' mates
57 Easter symbol
58 First-rate

Down

1 Pop singer Lady —
2 Came to earth
3 "Gee!"
4 Ignite
5 Intruder-blocking software
6 Expert
7 Glitch in print
8 Street child
9 Aries, Leo or Sagittarius
10 Bloodhound's clue
11 Does some mending
19 Yours truly
21 Acronym to an oversharer
24 Cooperstown's Mel
25 "Go, team!"
26 Stravinsky ballet, with "The"
28 Lawyer's due
29 Hydrant
30 Also
31 Thither
36 Van Gogh subjects
37 Allow
38 Majestic
41 Bell or Kettle
42 Hearty
43 Stratford river
44 Auction
46 Norway's capital
47 Profound
48 Tosses in
51 Journal

▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku

				7		1	2	
1		4	9					
3					6		4	
		6		4			3	
9			2		5			1
	1			9		8		
	9		5					3
					1	6		8
	2	7		6				

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

3	1	7	5	6	8	9	4	2
4	2	5	3	7	9	1	6	8
8	6	9	2	1	4	5	3	7
6	9	1	4	8	3	2	7	5
2	3	4	1	5	7	8	9	6
7	5	8	9	2	6	4	1	3
1	4	2	6	3	5	7	8	9
9	8	6	7	4	2	3	5	1
5	7	3	8	9	1	6	2	4

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KING

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XO JESS

Hey my lil Crazy Horse, I just wanted to send you a big smackeroo! I want you to know that I love you with all of my heart and I don't know what I would do without you ! You are my soulmate and I can't wait to spend the rest of my life with you! I feel like the luckiest woman alive! -
OUR SEXY BUM

A look at the weather

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Min 5° Max 22°	Min 5° Max 20°	Min 5° Max 19°

Andrew Schultz, Meteorologist
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BT BREAKFAST TELEVISION

Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You will find it easier to be patient with people now there is a new moon in the partnership area of your chart. Yes, certain individuals can be deeply irritating sometimes but they're only human.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Both at home and at work you would be wise to proceed on the assumption that others are telling you only half the story – and that it's the other half you need to know.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 You seem to be making heavy work of something that is really quite simple — and doing far too much of it by yourself. Today's new moon will give a boost to creative activities.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Something you found such a challenge earlier in the year will come easy to you now. Your outlook on life has changed and that has enabled you to respond to a more positive set of cosmic vibrations.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 If you have not yet planned your next vacation get on to it now as the new moon in the travel area of your chart gives you some great ideas.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You seem to have got your values a bit mixed up of late. If you are going to get them untangled the first thing you must do is ask yourself what is most important to you: your material or your emotional wellbeing.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 No matter how many times you have clashed with people you must patch things up. The new moon in your sign promises a new beginning, but you've got to work at it.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Do you finish what you started, or do you give up on it and focus on something new? Only you can decide but if you have not completed a project by now perhaps it's not meant to be.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Today's new moon signals the start of an enjoyable phase, one that will last for the next two weeks and maybe longer. Friendships are under excellent stars, so get out there and mingle.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You should find it easier to get along with colleagues today. You may have had differences in the past but now you understand you need to work together to reach your goal.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You will come out of your shell over the next 24 hours. That's good. There is so much you have to offer the world – it would be a crime to deprive it of your genius.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 Your nerves may be a bit frayed but the new moon will convince you there is no need to get upset. Whatever it is you are fretting about it will come right in the end – it always doe. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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